

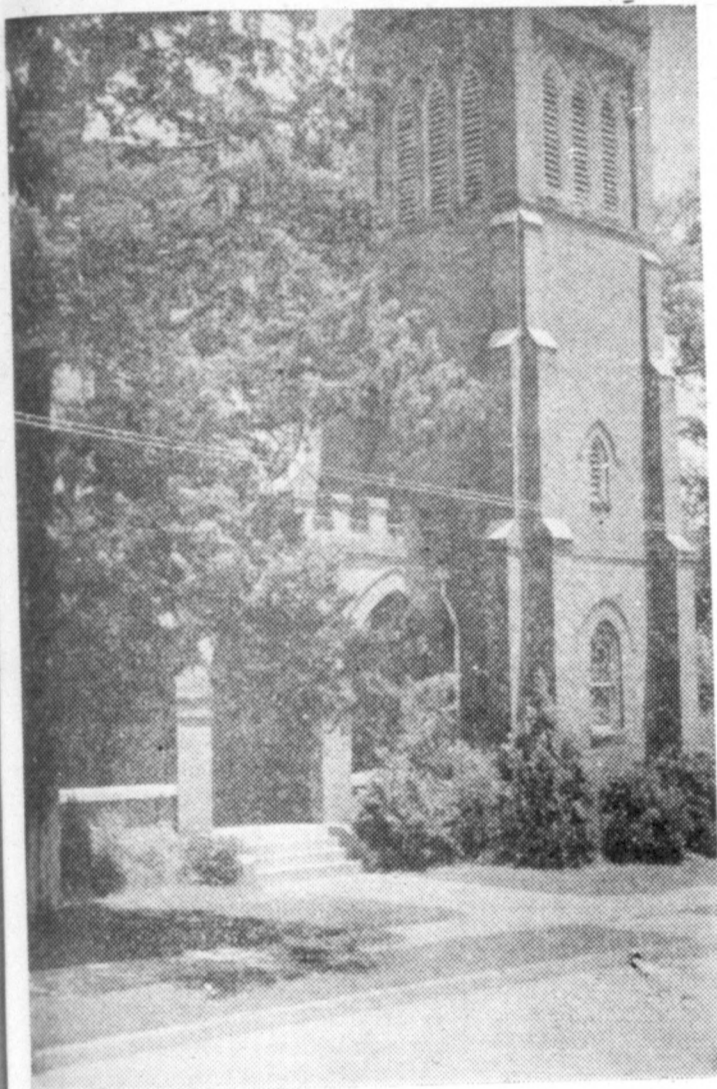
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SOUTH ENTRANCE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
MACON, MISS.



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## BRIEFS FROM THE HISTORY OF THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF MACON, MISS.

By Col. E. B. Boyd, Clerk

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The First Baptist Church of Macon, Mississippi, was organized June 20, 1835. The first minute book is still in the church's possession and is in a good state of preservation. This priceless book is kept in the vaults of the Merchants and Farmers Bank of Macon by courtesy of Mr. E. V. Yeates, active vice-president of the bank.

On Sunday, June 30, 1935, the church celebrated her one hundredth anniversary. After an appropriate service of song and praise led by the choir, under the direction of Mrs. George Ogden, the minutes of the organization of the church were read by Col. E. B. Boyd. Following this the early life of the church was portrayed by a group of members dressed in the costumes of that far-off day. The life and work of the church was then given as follows:

"Pages from the History of the Church" by Mrs. E. M. Murphey.

"Workers Through the Years" by Mrs. W. R. Little.

"The Women's Work" by Mrs. T. W. Crigler, Sr.

"The Work and Growth of the Sunday School" by Dr. L. B. Morris.

"Through the Doors for One Hundred Years" by Miss Bessie Boggett.

"The Church of 1935" by Rev. R. D. Pearson. From these papers and addresses we glean a few facts concerning the life of the church.

On April 2, 1836, a committee was appointed to select a suitable lot for a "meeting house." Brethren John Fancher and T. S. Howard composed the committee. The lot was chosen and soon a house was erected at a cost of \$4542.00. This seems to have been the first house for church services to be erected here. The Rev. Silas Dobbs became the first pastor. In June, 1849, another committee was chosen to select a more suitable lot for a larger building. The present site was chosen and purchased and a beautiful building was erected thereon. During the Civil War the church building was used as a hospital following the battle of Shiloh.

In 1909, under the leadership of Dr. H. M. King, the old building was torn away and the present building was erected. Some of the former pastors of the church are Rev. Silas Dobbs, Revs. Holbrook, Lattimore, Martin, Vanlandingham, Noffsinger, Spencer, Johnson, Grace, Thames, King, Howse, R. H. Purser, Barkley, Brock, and Metcalf.

The first record of the women's work is a "Sewing Society" organized in 1844. This society presented to the church the bell which is now in use. The bell was bought in Cincinnati by Mr. David Buck at a cost of \$135.00. In 1872 the name of the society was changed to "Missionary Society." When the present building

was erected the W. M. S. gave the beautiful memorial window to the church. Our W. M. S. has ever been a great force for the ongoing of the Kingdom of Christ. The organization is now a most active and efficient one. Mrs. David Carpenter is the present president.

The Sunday school has always been a vital part of the church work. Some of our finest men have given of their best efforts for the Master here. The work at this time is on the increase under the leadership of Mr. W. R. Little, a splendid business man, who is giving time and talent to this cause.

There are on the roll of our church membership men and women who are graduates of more than a quarter of a hundred universities and colleges, holding degrees of B.A., M.A., B.S., M.D., M.S., Ph.D., and others. Many have gone out into the world to make for themselves places of prominence in service.

Our pastor is Rev. R. D. Pearson, a devout, spiritual man, zealous and hard working, who "lures to brighter worlds and leads the way." He has been our pastor for eleven years and he and his splendid family grow dearer, not only to the members of this church, but to the people of this community as the years come and go.

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Summit church had good congregations and services Sunday; two received for baptism. The congregation sends the pastor and his wife to the Convention.

## Sparks and Splinters

At Brooksville the Sunday school ran on Sunday far ahead of anything in recent years.

Pastor L. P. Petty reports a Brotherhood organized at New Zion Church, Copiah County, Monday, Nov. 21, with a membership of ten.

A "Christian" church in Atlanta invited a Jewish rabbi to teach the Old Testament in a Sunday school training course. Some one suggests now that the Jews reciprocate. We shall see!

And now the Italian government forbids the use of "Jacks," called by some other name in Italy, by students in the schools who are required to translate Latin into Italian. Great Caesar!

We know of no better subject for a motion picture than the Acts of the Apostles. If this book of the Bible were dramatized and thrown on the screen it would be a great soul stirring and educational film. How can it be done?

Forty-first Avenue Church, Meridian, has a large percentage of railroad men in its membership. These propose to pay in November 15 per cent of their salaries, the amount which they did not lose by the proposed wage cut, to help pay the debt on the church, if the other members will do likewise. It is thought in this way the debt will be materially reduced.

Drank himself to death at 58 is the verdict in regard to Kemal Pasha Ataturk, president of the Turkish republic. He was a man of powerful physique and strong character. He introduced many innovations in Turkey, moved the capital back to Asia, put the religious ruler out of commission, reformed the dress of men and women to conform to western patterns. His successor, elected by the legislature assembly is Gen. Ismet Ononu, who was long his prime minister.

The Christian Century says of the recent political campaign in Ohio, in which one issue was aid to Catholic schools: "The Democratic candidates in general favored the type of legislation desired by the Roman Catholics while the Republican candidates did not. Specifically, the Republican candidate for attorney general said quite clearly that he would consider such legislation unconstitutional, and the Republican candidate for governor said he would support him in that position. Both were elected, as well as a legislature with a Republican majority."

Dr. Everett Gill, Southern Baptist missionary to Europe, writes from Hungary to the Watchman-Examiner about Baptists joining the World Council of Churches as follows: "It is hereby submitted that no Baptist organization can in loyalty to its historic faith and to its brethren in Christ belong to an organization which has within its membership a Christian body which persecutes on principle those who differ from it in matters of doctrine and practice, and which is actually at the present seeking the destruction of a large and loyal body of Baptist believers. That surely is axiomatic, if there be such a thing as a self-evident truth."

"It Will Be Daybreak Soon" is the title of a book by Archibald Rutledge, in which is given a different view of the Southern Negro from any we have seen. Joel Chandler Harris in his Uncle Remus gave us one. Two famous radio artists have given us another, and there are others more serious and just as true. But this one gives you a view of the negro's spiritual insight, his mystical sense that is revealing and true to facts. The negro's gentleness, loyalty, compassion and courage are shown not in academic phrases, but in narratives of personal experience and contact with these people. It is such a book as ought to be written and is sure to be read. If you are like this reviewer you will not close the book till you have read it through. There are smiles and tears in it. The author of the book is a South Carolinian from pre-revolution ancestry, now living in Pennsylvania. The things that he tells are things that people on both sides of the Mason and Dixon line ought to know and take to heart. Price \$1.25; published by Revell.

It was not a "special edition" that the Baptist Messenger got out Nov. 17, but it was one of best of any paper we have seen. That young man Routh is coming!

Virginia Baptists recently adopted the 50-50 basis of division of funds between state and Southwide objects. They had for a while given 55 to state objects.

Our sympathy is with Rev. P. E. Cullom and the other children and the widow of P. B. Cullom who passed away at his home in McComb Nov. 15, at the age of 76.

One of the problems before the world today is whether we are going to allow people who ought to be in mad houses to run roughshod over the rest of the world, or if these insane murderers shall be confined where they belong.

Calvary Baptist Church in Jones County reports a gracious meeting in which Paster A. J. Linton preached. There were ten additions, six of them by baptism. The church is on a higher plane and cooperating with the pastor.

Brother C. F. Hinds of Beechland Church, Louisville, Ky., greets his old Mississippi friends. He has in the past two years baptized seventy and welcomed twelve by letter. A year ago the church built a three story Sunday school annex.

To the members of Hermanville Baptist Church: It is a great joy to me to send greetings to you through our denominational paper. I trust that you will read it. You will find in it food for mind and soul. You will find it a source of both pleasure and profit. It will inform you concerning our denominational affairs and inspire you to greater interest and effort in the Lord's cause. However, it cannot do these things unless you read it regularly and thoughtfully. Therefore, read it and get these blessings.—R. A. Tullos, Pastor.

Van Winkle Baptist Church closed its revival on Sunday night, Nov. 6, with 17 additions, 13 by baptism. The church was strengthened exceedingly by the additions. The Sunday school had a 25% increase in attendance and a wonderful spirit prevails in every department of the church. There is an increase both of attendance and interest throughout the church. Many of the ones who confessed Christ not only gave him their hearts and lives but pledged themselves to tithe, according to Bible teachings. The Van Winkle Church is striving hard to make their church truly a New Testament church.—Catherine McCarter, Secretary.

Another book of sermons. And when I picked it up, I wondered who reads, if anybody, so many books of this kind; and then I read the first sermon. Before I finished it, I wished that everybody would read it, especially the unsaved men and women. The title of the book is "To Them That Perish"; the author, Rev. E. D. Poe, with plenty of letters after his name. He is pastor at Roanoke, Va. It is as simple as a story for children, simple like the gospel is simple, for it is the gospel. It is full of pathos, because it tells about sin and about Jesus. I liked it because it is intended for sinners. And I sent it immediately to an unsaved man, with the prayer that Jesus would use it to save him. The book is published by the Broadman Press and can be had of The Baptist Book Store for \$1.00.

Mr. J. L. Kraft, president of the Kraft-Phoenix Cheese Company, recently wrote to another deacon: "Too many people confuse the tithing principle with stewardship. Tithing is a worthy aim for the Christian, but it is after all only a part and does not in any way convey the real principle of stewardship. Tithing is only paying in money that which we owe. If we do nothing more than pay our just debts to God we have nothing to be proud of. Stewardship is tithing—plus, plus not only money but time and service as well. Stewardship is putting first things first. If we are good stewards we work to one end, namely, to serve as a good steward should serve. Our work, our business, our vocation in life becomes a means to an end. Eventually it becomes second nature for us to serve as a good steward should, giving of our time, giving heed to the amount we give, whether it is ten per cent or ninety-five per cent."

New Mexican Baptists have decided to install a printing plant on which to publish their paper.

At Newton the Sunday school voted to foster a revival in January with Pastor R. A. Morris preaching.

William Jewell College in Missouri on Dec. 5 celebrated 40 years of teaching in the college by Prof. J. P. Fruit. He taught twenty years before going to William Jewell.

Dr. G. H. Crutcher preached in the meeting at Riverside Church, Tampa, where he is pastor. Mr. Ray Waldron led the music. Seventeen were received for baptism—with the prospect of others.

A letter from Rev. V. H. Cowser of Hermosa Beach, Calif., tells us he will be in Mississippi a part of this month and next and will be available for supply in pulpits. He may be addressed at Goodman, Miss., Box 133.

It is said that the Wisconsin Liquor Board which has control of the liquor business in that state has ordered all liquor stores closed for a week during Christmas. We could wish that these people might have Christmas for the whole year.

The meeting at Immanuel Church, Hattiesburg, in which Pastor W. W. Grafton had the assistance of former pastor H. L. Spencer, had every appearance of being Spirit led. The results in awakening of Christian life were evident and gracious.

From the Crystal Springs Baptist Courier: Former pastor J. P. Harrington preached Sunday evening. Four new deacons were elected this week. The budget for the coming year is \$4,847, of which \$1000 is for the Cooperative Program.

Dr. R. E. Hough resigns as editor of The Mississippi Visitor after 21 years of fruitful service. The paper is published in the interest of the Presbyterian church in Mississippi. Dr. Hough continues as pastor of Central Presbyterian Church in Jackson.

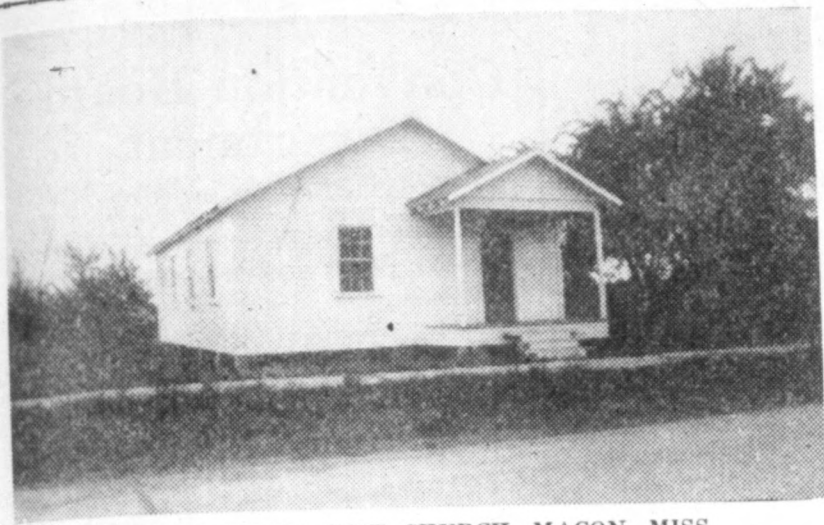
One of our fine young preachers who is now pastor in Kentucky is glad that Mississippi has not been turned over body and soul to the liquor people. Rev. Carey Cox writes that where a complete line of liquors is the most conspicuous item in practically all the drug and larger grocery stores makes a fearful situation.

Miss Willis Frances Malley of Merigold was elected secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Student Union at the All-Southern B. S. U. conference in Memphis recently. A sophomore in the B.A. school at Ole Miss, Miss Malley went to the convention as a representative of the Ole Miss group. She was chosen from the entire Mississippi delegation, the state with the largest representation at the conference.

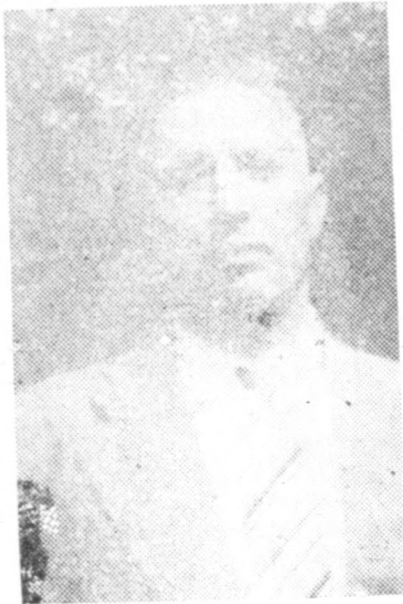
It may be that not everybody knows it, but the editor of the Record is a very busy man. Therefore when you write news items for the paper put as much into as little space as you can so that he won't have to spend time in abbreviating it. And specially difficult it is to abbreviate a full column from a secular paper into five lines of a religious paper. The idea in a secular paper is to spread it out as thin as possible. The idea in a religious paper is to condense it into as small space as possible.

Temple Church in Wilmington, N. C., and representatives from other churches in the association celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of Dr. A. J. Barton's ordination to the ministry. It was a happy occasion in which many delighted to honor Dr. Barton for his great usefulness as a pastor and denominational leader. Among the telegrams received were those from Drs. Geo. W. Truett, Jno. R. Sampey, T. L. Holcomb and Hight C. Moore. Dr. Barton is highly esteemed for his profound conviction, his clear insight, his courage, his devotion to Baptist principles and his advocacy of good citizenship and social service.

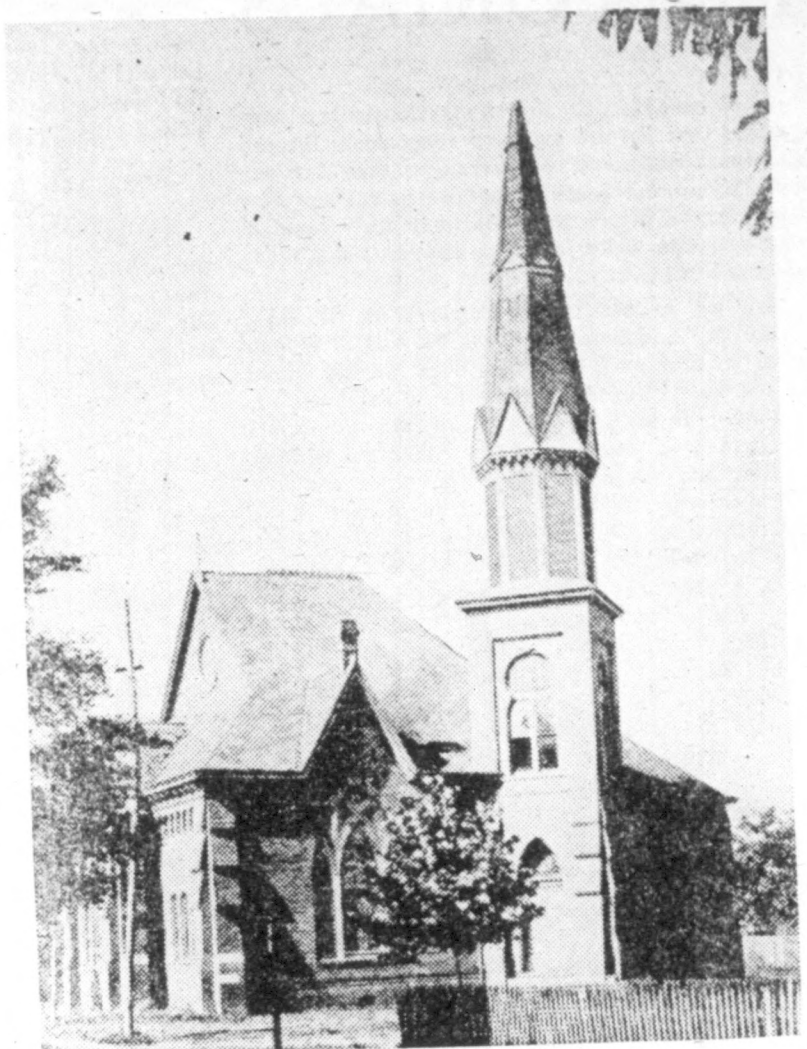
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"Once, I knew a Baptist,  
He had a pious look,  
He had been totally immersed—  
Except his pocketbook.  
He put a nickel in the plate,  
And then with might and main,  
He'd sing, 'When we asunder part,  
It gives us inward pain.'"



WEST SIDE BAPTIST CHURCH, MACON, MISS.



REV. C. S. MULLINS, Pastor  
West Side Baptist Church, Macon



MACON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
MACON, MISS.

THE CITY OF MACON  
By T. W. Crigler, Jr.

Macon is one of the older towns of Mississippi, and was an important settlement long before the Civil War. Several of the scenes in the book, "Flush Times In Alabama and Mississippi" were laid in Macon. The local Masonic lodge was organized in 1839, and still have their original charter granted in 1840. The town and county were largely settled by Virginians, Carolinians, and Georgians, and were, for the most part large plantation and slave owners. When the Civil War broke out, practically every white man in the town and county between the ages of sixteen and sixty volunteered for service with the Southern armies, and for a short time during this period, Macon was the capital of the state. Some of the citizens of Macon have as cherished belongings Confederate money printed in Macon in 1863. During reconstruction days, Noxubee County, although having a negro population of approximately six times the number of whites, was one of the first counties in the state to throw off carpet bag rule. Since that time the relations between the white and colored races have been most kindly and harmonious, and race riots and lynchings are unknown.

Macon is in the center of Noxubee County and the county seat. It is on the main line of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad, 478 miles south of St. Louis, and about 200 miles north of Mobile. It is located on paved highway 25, which traverses the main street of the town and crosses the new \$78,000 bridge across Noxubee River at the lower end of Jefferson Street. Highway 25 is now paved practically all the way from the Great Lakes to the Gulf. Highways 45 and 14 also intersect at Macon, making the city an important junction point for these highways.

Macon is one of the best governed cities in the nation. Major crimes are unknown and petty crime is promptly punished. In spite of the fact that Macon has paved streets, fifteen miles of sidewalks, modern white way, good fire depart-

ment, and an efficient police force and two splendid schools—high school and new grammar school—a very low tax rate is enjoyed by its citizens; the tax rate being very much lower than the average of cities of the state of the same size.

Special mention should be made of Macon's schools and churches. Churches include Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian, Episcopal and Catholic. Each denomination owns its own house of worship, and regular services are held. The Methodists have recently installed a new pipe organ, for which dedication services were held during the past winter. A very large percent of the citizens of Macon are members of some of the churches. Macon has two white schools and one large negro school. A new grammar school was erected during the last few years at a cost of approximately \$40,000.00. The schools of Macon are fully accredited, and a splendid corps of efficient teachers is maintained.

Macon is the county seat of one of the most prosperous counties in the state. Not only is Noxubee a large cotton county, but since the Borden Southern Company has located their mammoth milk condensing plant here, our farmers have gone in heavily for dairying, which assures them a regular monthly income. Beside Borden, which manufactures every kind of milk product, a large cooperative creamery is also located here, which is generously patronized. Macon also has large cotton seed oil mills, cotton compresses, lumber manufacturing, livestock yards, etc., and a number of workmen enjoy steady employment. During the last business recession not a single bank or business house in Macon failed.

Macon has a thriving American Legion post, and the post has recently completed their own headquarters, on a large plot of ground which they own, and a new \$12,000 swimming pool completed for the use of the citizens.

Macon is preeminently a city of homes. A majority of the citizens own their own homes,  
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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
By T. C. Moore

The history of the Macon Presbyterian Church is brief and incomplete as all records prior to 1891 are lost. Examination of the Noxubee County records reveal that in the year 1836, the year the town of Macon was organized, the County Police Board sold to the Board of Selectmen for the town of Macon the fractional block No. 7 for use and benefit of the Presbyterian and Methodist Episcopal churches. The Presbyterians acquired the south half of this block and erected the first building upon the organization of the church in 1842. This building was on the lot now occupied by the Demerest home. This property was sold in 1889 and the present brick building was erected and occupied. The church was dedicated to the service of God in 1895.

From its organization in 1842 by the Rev. Daniel McNair until the reorganization of the Presbyteries in the Synod in 1907 the church was a member of the old Tombeckbee Presbytery. Since then and until the present the church is in East Mississippi Presbytery. In addition to the substantial brick building now occupied the church owns a well appointed and comfortable manse.

The membership now numbers 80 and seldom has there been more than 100. The present Sunday school enrollment is 65. About the time the congregation moved to the present building the Ladies' Auxiliary was organized. It has been a virile and faithful adjunct to the church organization.

For the past two years Rev. J. E. McJunkins has served the church as stated supply. F. E. Carlton is superintendent of the Sunday school. Four deacons, Hunter Scales George, James Boyce Elkin, Dwight Mitchell Moore and Charles C. Fraley, were recently ordained.

The committee to review the Social Service report consisted of L. E. Green, J. T. Siler, Reed Polk, Mrs. Webb Brame and M. O. Patterson.

# EDITORIALS

## OTHERS

It is hard for us to take seriously the suggestion that we are as much responsible for the spiritual welfare of others as we are for our own. It is quite possible that some will say outright that it is not true. The only way to settle that question is by reference to the Bible. What does the Bible say?

Are we to believe the Bible when it says, "Love thy neighbor as thyself"? And if a man loves another as much as he does himself would he not be willing and ready to do as much for the other as he does for himself? Is it possible for a man to love another as much as he does himself and yet do less for the other man, or in his interest, than we do for ourselves? If we love others as much as we do ourselves will we wish to retain for ourselves comforts and necessities which are denied to others? If a child loves his brother as much as himself will he eat three fourths of the apple and give one fourth to his brother? If you love your neighbor as yourself will you be content to live in a comfortable house and eat at a well filled table while somebody in your community is compelled by poverty to live in squalor, and from hand to mouth?

To be sure these are disturbing questions, and our disposition is to thrust them from us by some such remark as, "You are preaching socialism." But you and I have got to answer these questions, either now or in the day of judgment. Personally we do not subscribe to the theories or practice of political socialism, but it is well enough for us to inquire whether or not these political heretics are not feeling after a truth that has somehow been dropped out of our religious teaching.

When Paul said, "That there may be equality," he was asking for a contribution for the poor, the unfortunate, or as we would say, the underprivileged. He was writing to the church at Corinth in the interest of the poor at Jerusalem. He says, 2 Cor. 8:13-15, "For I say not this that others may be eased and ye distressed; but by equality: your abundance being a supply at this present time for their want, that their abundance may become a supply for your want; that there may be equality: as it is written, He that gathered much had nothing over; and he that gathered little had no lack."

An electric current can't pass through you nor affect you in any way if you are insulated. And the grace of God can't do you any more good than it does to others through you. In other words it must be passed on to others or it is of no benefit to you. And it becomes your possession just as it is given to somebody else.

Suffer just this word of exhortation, if you do not think it spoils it all. Just as a concrete case in point. Has the reading of the Baptist Record been of benefit to you? Then do not be content with having it to yourself. Would it not help others to be better Christians and servants of God? Then is there not an obligation to see that they have the benefit of it. There are others. There are two little poems which you may be familiar with: one is "Others," another is "Pass It On."

Lord help me live from day to day  
In such a self-forgetful way  
That even when I kneel to pray  
My prayer shall be for others.

Help me in all the work I do  
To ever be sincere and true  
And know that all I do for thee  
Must needs be done for others.

Let self be crucified and slain  
And buried deep, and all in vain  
May efforts be to rise again,  
Unless to live for others.

And when my work on earth is done  
And my new work in heaven begun

May I forget the crown I won  
While thinking still of others

Others, Lord, yes others,  
Let this my motto be.  
Help me to live for others  
That I may live like thee.

## WE WALK BY FAITH, NOT BY SIGHT

The word for "sight" here does not mean the ability to see, but rather what we see. Paul does not say, 2 Cor. 5:7, that we are not to use our eyes, but what he says is that there are things which our eyes do not see. They are apprehended by the faculty of our souls which we call faith. We walk by the faith that we have in the Christ whom we do not see, cannot see and have never seen. We do not walk by the direction or under the control of the material world and the material things in the world around us. Our life is not controlled by the physical facts and phenomena about us, but by the truth which we have apprehended through faith, for faith is the organ or faculty through which truth is appropriated. Paul says, "The life which I now live in the flesh, I live in faith, the faith which is in the Son of God."

In this the Christian differs from others. This is the distinctive in mark of the Christian. He is controlled by motives which the world does not know nor understand. It is not things but truth that determines his conduct. He is not the friend and companion of material things. Jesus said the disciples were not of the world "even as I am not of the world," Jno. 17:14. Moses "endured as seeing him who is invisible." Of him as of all the rest it is said in the eleventh chapter of Hebrews that they did what they did "by faith." And faith is the actual putting to the test the fact of the invisible One and the invisible realities.

It is natural for us to think we would have more faith if we could see Jesus as the disciples saw him. But it probably works the other way. The disciples believed more in Jesus after he was gone and they could not see him than they did when he was present in the flesh. Faith may be hindered and forestalled by sight. Sight may be a substitute for faith. Jesus spoke of the multitudes who saw him and believed not. He said to the disciples that it was expedient for them that he should go away. To Thomas he said, after Thomas had insisted upon seeing His scars and putting his hand in His side, "Because thou hast seen thou hast believed; blessed are they that have not seen and yet have believed."

And in this passage in Second Corinthians where Paul is speaking of walking by faith and not by what is seen, he was talking about living now without having Jesus visible to us at present. It is not the physical man Jesus with whom we now deal. It is the risen and ascended Lord. We are exhorted to remember him "as risen from the dead." And Paul says, "Though we have known Christ after the flesh, yet now we know him so no more."

"Now the Lord is the Spirit . . . But we all, with unveiled face beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are transformed into the same image from glory to glory, even as from the Lord the Spirit, 2 Cor. 3:17-18 American Revised Version.

It is said that there are more negro farm owners in Marshall County, Mississippi, than in any other county in the United States.

Macon: In the article on the page about West Side Baptist Church the following figures arrived too late. The church was organized in April, 1938, the present membership is 32, and the Sunday school enrollment is 45.

We are sending the Baptist Record to Missionary John A. Moore, 264 Kralja Aleksandraul, Belgrade, Yugoslavia, as a present from the Intermediate class of 15 year old boys of First Church, Greenwood, Mrs. L. F. Ferguson teacher. These boys are in line to make useful Christian men.

## Convention Board Department

R. B. GUNTER, Cor. Sec'y.

### THE FORT WORTH MEETING

Due to many obligations, I have delayed saying anything about the simultaneous revival in the churches of Fort Worth in October. There were twenty-six churches cooperating in the meeting. The pastors, evangelists and singers took breakfast together at Broadway Church during the two weeks. Plans were discussed, problems mentioned and suggestions made. One of the complaints made was that both unsaved and church members were absent from the services in many of the churches. There was no reason assigned for the unsaved being absent, but the statement was made that some good church members were not present because they did not like the methods employed by some of those preaching in the meetings. Some splendid reports were made as to the ingatherings before the meeting closed. Dr. R. Q. Leavell, who was in charge of the city-wide revival, preached in Broadway Church.

It was the writer's pleasure to preach in Turner Memorial Church. The revival was very satisfactory to the members of the church. The church has sixteen deacons, and frequently at the night services during the week as many as fourteen were present. It was stated that the revival was the best the church had had in many years. One grandfather was converted. The majority of the nineteen who joined were grown, and two-thirds or more were for baptism. Professor I. E. Reynolds and his wife were in charge of the music. In fact, they have charge of the music all the time and are a great blessing to the church.

The pastor writes recently saying that on the last Sunday he has had five additions and would baptize six more the next Sunday. He says the ingathering is wonderful. It was not the desire of the preacher to get all the people into the church during the meeting, but to conduct a meeting which would continue to bear fruit. This seems to be true from later reports. The pastor is elated over results, and many useful members are coming in from other churches.

### TOO MUCH CONCERN ABOUT RETIREMENT

There are those who feel that too much thought is given to the day of retirement. This is true in the ministry as well as in the laity. One prominent man has said that he knows of no preachers in his part of the state who have given their full time to the Lord's service who are now in need of relief. A member of the committee on Relief has said that he has known very few who have asked for aid who have through their lives given themselves unreservedly to the Lord's work. A prominent man in another state wrote this writer recently that he was afraid the preachers in trying to take care of themselves might wreck the work of the denomination. One passage of Scripture which we do well to think of is, "Trust in the Lord and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land and verily thou shalt be fed." This writer believes in preparing for old age, but he believes that each individual should do this for himself, that the churches should pay adequate salaries and that the preacher should practice such economy and thrift as are set forth in the Scriptures.

Christ has offered the best retirement plan thus far. Various companies have offered a certain amount each month after one reaches the age of sixty-five, provided he pays a certain amount each month, each quarter, each half year, or each year until he reaches that age. That is a long time to wait. A considerable amount is called for before one reaches that age. Christ's plan says, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added"; that is to say, He

promises the necessities of life from now until the age of sixty-five and on beyond if one is so fortunate as to reach that good age. We must not leave the impression that we are too much interested in our own welfare.

**IMPRESSIONS FROM THE CONVENTION**

First, there seemed to be very little inclination to want to do anything which would increase the Convention's indebtedness. This was indeed encouraging. In the second place, one would be impressed with the fact that there is need for much more work than present receipts will enable the Convention to do. The remedy, therefore, is to increase contributions. In the third place, there was very little expressed desire for paying the indebtedness which is now upon the Convention. This should have received first consideration. In the fourth place, the Cooperative Program from which the main support comes was also side-tracked by minor matters. The Cooperative Program should have the center of the stage and the best hour of the Convention. In fact, two hours would not be too long a period. The Convention will have to come back to the importance of putting first things first. In the fifth place, it was gratifying to hear reports of balanced budgets and to learn of so many of the agencies which have reduced their indebtedness and others which have no indebtedness. In the sixth place, it was also encouraging to hear the evangelistic note sounded and to learn of the increase in the number of those who have been converted during the year. This is perhaps most gratifying of all the reports. There was not, however, the zealous note sounded for enlarging our activities in this line of the work. If to be lost eternally is as horrible as the Scriptures describe it, and if the glory of the celestial realm is what the Scriptures tell us it is, we should by all means place greater emphasis upon the salvation of the lost.

**LAST CALL**

This is the last call before the due date of December 1st interest. This interest obligation amounts to approximately \$18,000.00. At this writing we are far short of the amount. The payment of this interest on time will set us forward for the year 1939. We can start the year with a clean slate and every cent received for debts from that time on can be applied on 1939 obligations. Please see that your pledge is paid to date and that it reaches the Board office on or before November 30th.

**NOTICE NO. 1**

Those desiring every member pledge cards can receive them without charge by writing the Baptist Convention Board, Jackson, Mississippi, stating number needed.

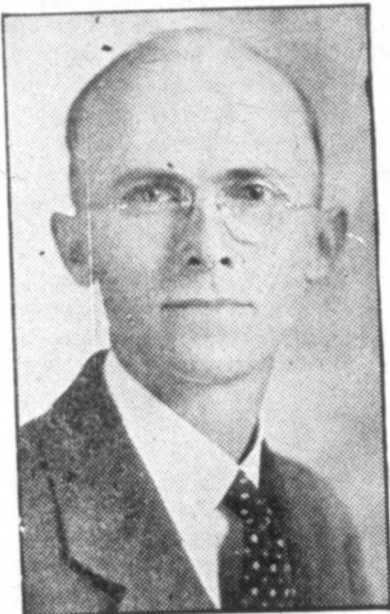
**NOTICE NO. 2**

Those desiring to purchase Baptist Education Commission 6% bonds maturing from '49 to '53 will do well to write for them now. The interest bearing date begins December 1st. Those purchasing on or before that time will be due to receive semi-annual interest June 1, 1939.

**BR**  
In the past seven years the national debt has increased \$21,000,000,000. In the previous seven years it decreased \$7,000,000,000.

**You older people are always saying that we younger people are going to the devil. I have been thinking about that a great deal. And it occurs to me that I do not know of anyone our age who is making liquor. I do not know of anyone our age who is operating a saloon. I do not know of anyone our age who is maintaining a dance hall. We younger people were too young to vote the repeal of prohibition. You older people did that. Now we younger people suffer for it. We did not fight the World War that resulted in the subsequent world-wide depression and the mess the world is in today. Most of us had not been born when the World War started. Yet we suffer because of it. Perhaps we are going to the devil; but if we are, whose fault is it?—Missions.**

**LET'S GO**  
By A. L. GOODRICH, Circulation Manager  
"Ask the People and They'll Subscribe"



DR. A. B. WOOD, Pastor  
Forest Baptist Church

**MORE PROOF OF THE PUDDING**

We have had the EF plan in our church for two years now. I like it and my people like it. The work moves forward along every line. The people are better informed and more interested. The Baptist Record goes into every home every week. The pastor cannot possibly do this. To anyone contemplating putting it in the budget, I would say try it and see for yourself that it really does render a large service. Such service will be reflected in every part of the program of the church.—A. B. Wood, Forest, Miss.

**ON THE GO**

**Kosciusko Association:**

It was impossible for us to get to the Kosciusko Association the first day but the church at McAdams was practically full the second day. The way the long tables were loaded with food, we suppose they expected thousands instead of hundreds. Pastor Roper and the McAdams saints showed by their actions that they were glad to have the association.

Officers elected were Rev. B. F. Odom, moderator, Rev. J. W. White, clerk.

The reports we heard were far above the average and the discussions very inspiring.

The next meeting will be held with Bowlin church.

Attala County has subscribers listed as follows: Bolatusha 1; Dossville 1; Center 1; ETHEL CHURCH 76; McCool 11; McCool R.F.D. 3; Kosciusko 26; Springdale Church 4; McAdams 5; SALLIS CHURCH 34; Sallis R.F.D. 2.

**Eighth Avenue Church, Meridian:**

It was a privilege to preach a few days for Rev. C. A. Alexander and the Eighth Avenue saints. The people attended in large numbers and showered us with super-hospitality.

It was our pleasure to be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jones and they were super hosts. We did no reducing there.

Eighth Avenue boasts the largest B. T. U. attendance of any church in Meridian. Certainly the church was full of B. T. U. members and they told us that some even met in the Good Will Center where Miss Nannie David is doing such splendid work.

Pastor Alexander is one of the hardest workers we know. If he ever loafs, no one has ever caught him at it. His capable assistant is Mrs. Alexander who is the daughter of the beloved Dr. J. W. Newbrough of New Orleans.

Eighth Avenue has a full graded W. M. U. and one night during the meeting they had their promotion exercises. The Meridian Star carried

the following account:

Promotion Day was observed at Good Will Center by the Eighth Avenue Baptist W. M. S. The program included promotions of Sunbeams, Junior and Intermediate Royal Ambassador and Girls Auxiliary, Young Woman's Auxiliary, Woman's Missionary Society and Brotherhood members.

Mrs. Morris Ethridge led the devotional after which certificates were presented those eligible.

Cliff Tidmore received a Royal Ambassador pin for Bible and mission study which makes him eligible for counselor; Joyce Embry was crowned queen; Dorothy Goldman, Doris Burt were crowned queen with sceptre; Gloria Embry, Myrtle Milstead and Fannie Jean Stainton were named queen regents and rings were presented Joyce Delane Brown and Glenwood Ray Morgan, Golden Jubilee babies.

Talks were made by Mrs. W. D. Cook, county young people's leader, and the Rev. C. A. Alexander, pastor of the Eighth Avenue Baptist Church.

Lauderdale County has Baptist Record readers as follows: Russell 1, Kewanee 1, Daleville 1, TOOMSUBA 14, Goodwater 9, MARION 33, COLLINSVILLE 17, 7 R.F.D., Bonita 2, Bailey 2, Meridian First 24, Meridian Fifteenth Avenue 18, Meridian Forty-first Avenue 26, Meridian Eighth Avenue 10, MERIDIAN HIGHLAND 158, Meridian Southside 4, Meridian Poplar Springs 2, Meridian miscellaneous 13, Meridian R.F.D. 6, Midway 5, NEW HOPE 36, Pleasant Hill 1, Meehand 1.

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It is thought the number added to the Baptist churches in Kansas City as a result of the simultaneous evangelistic campaign will go well above 1,000.

In First Church, Muskogee, where Dr. L. R. Scarborough helped Pastor A. N. Hall and the church in a revival meeting, there were 92 additions, 58 by baptism.

Evangelist W. B. Walker and Singer Otis Thompson are in the second week of the tent meeting in Laurel. They have had some uncomfortable weather, but the interest has steadily grown.

In the six past depression years the gifts of the First Church, Longview, Texas, have increased 63%. They have for several years had the state Baptist paper going into every home, with a membership of 3,467. Draw your own conclusion.

The churches at Carrollton and North Carrollton are discussing the advisability of uniting into one church, to be called the J. Z. George Memorial. Committees from each church had agreed to recommend the union. The churches were to have voted on the matter Sunday. We have not heard the result.

At Elba, Ala., 27 preachers from five counties, 35 Sunday school teachers and five colored preachers met for an all day Bible study Oct. 31, under the leadership of Pastor J. A. Timmerman.

Correction: I notice in the paper today that the article of this week states that the First Baptist Church of Canton gave \$275.00 to missions last year. It should have been \$275.00. Of this amount \$1800.00 was to the Cooperative Program. Thanks.—C. Z. Holland, Pastor.

The Word and Way quotes what the Record had to say recently about Correlation and Co-ordination, but expresses the conviction that it is not simply a problem for local solution. It believes that there is ample reason for the committee of the Southern Baptist Convention which is working on the matter. This committee is to have a meeting in Nashville early in December. May wisdom be given them.

Hundreds of friends took the occasion of their leaving for Bessemer to honor Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Bass at First Church, Meridian. A reception was tendered them in which the rooms of the church were beautifully decorated, and a silver service was presented them as a token of affection. Many join us in wishing for Dr. Bass the fulness of the Father's blessing on his work in his new Alabama home.

## FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, MACON

By Mrs. E. M. Murphey

Macon Methodism can be said to have begun with the town which was located in 1835. The records show that the following year the Board of Police transferred a certain piece of property to the Methodist and Presbyterian churches. The Methodists then built a frame structure on their part of this property. The building now stands on Eighth Street, having been remodelled for a dwelling.

With the growth of the church this building soon became inadequate. At a regular prayer meeting in 1852, after prayers, while gathered around a small fire in a box stove, some of the faithful ones present remarked that the Methodists were able to have a better house in which to worship God. All agreed that such was the case, and a committee was appointed to solicit subscriptions. \$4,000.00 was raised in the church and an equal amount came from outside sources. A substantial brick building was erected with these funds, supplemented by the sale of the present property. Rev. Robert Finley was the first pastor in the new church.

This building stood until 1897 when it was remodelled under the pastorate of Rev. J. A. Randolph. The latest addition to the building was made under the pastorate of Rev. J. L. Jerdine, in 1929. At this time the Sarah J. Ames annex was added. A very generous donation was made to this work by the Hon. Chas. B. Ames as a memorial to his mother.

The church records show that there was a live, growing Sunday school from the beginning of the church. As early as 1857 there was a library of 1200 volumes. J. Faser was the librarian for many years.

During the Civil War this church was used as a hospital. A history of this church would not be complete without mention of some who contributed to its establishment and growth. Among whom were the Footes, Beauchamps, Calloways, Ames, Spooners, Massengales, Fasars, Brysoms, Minors, Bowens, Dowlings, Smiths, and many others.

Last year Judge Dent Minor, now of Memphis, Tenn., son of Dr. H. A. Minor, gave to the church a beautiful \$5000.00 Kilgen Pipe Organ as a memorial to his beloved mother. Mrs. A. L. Murphey was organist 47 years ago, and is still serving in that capacity.

The Sunday school and Epworth League work goes forward under the leadership of Mr. E. F. Hardin, and Prof. Charlie Aikins.

## FIRST BAPTIST CHORIR

By Mrs. George Ogden

The choir of the First Baptist Church of Macon is undoubtedly one of the weakest, yet one of the strongest to be found in any small town. It is weak in that it has no outstanding solo voices. It is strong in that through the concerted effort of each member it has been able to perform most pleasingly and effectively on all occasions.

The choir is faithful to the regular services of the church. Even during the sultry summer months there is no slump on the part of our choir.

This strictly volunteer choir of about twenty-five voices, (more men than women!) adds much to the dignity of the church services by the quiet, well-ordered behavior of the members. One of the most devotional moments of the morning hour comes when the choir files in and softly sings a call to worship. The rehearsal hour follows the Wednesday night prayer service, and follows a regular routine of work on anthems, hymns, etc. The choir is organized into a regular choral club with officers, thoughtfully planned year books, and has monthly social

gatherings. There are no fees connected with the choir as the anthem and cantata books are included in the regular church budget. Recently the Woman's Missionary Society agreed to donate vestments, and soon the members will add another "note" on Sunday; harmonious dress as a background for harmonious song.

Does this choir have hard problems to face? Truly they do. But with a musically minded and thoroughly cooperative pastor, the members are inspired at all times to "Sing unto the Lord."

## THE CITY OF MACON

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and since Macon is an old town, a large number of beautiful ante bellum homes are still maintained in all of their old beauty. The Macon Garden Club is very active, and the citizens vie with one another to keep their homes and gardens beautiful with trees, flowers and shrubs. The garden club sponsors a pilgrimage every spring, when the homes and gardens are open to the public.

Macon has two strong banks with combined assets of over two and one quarter million dollars, and suffered no ill effects during the stormy times several years ago. The Bank of Macon has recently moved into its beautiful new building, and the Merchants and Farmers Bank is now undergoing a complete renovation, and when completed will compare favorably with any bank building in the state.

To the visitor Macon offers a modern 70 room hotel, with all conveniences. A number of good restaurants are also operated, where real Southern cooking can be enjoyed. Macon is a friendly town, and there are no strangers in our midst. Come to see us early and often.

## OUR PASTOR

By E. D. Hunter

The background for our pastor's ministry was laid in the work of a layman. He, like many another God-called man, had prepared himself for other lines of work when he became convinced that there was only one work for him, namely, the work of a preacher of God's grace.

Brother Pearson had studied pharmacy at the University of Mississippi, and had entered that profession, before he felt the call of the ministry. For some years he deferred the matter, fearing that he would make a mistake. When he once became convinced beyond any doubt that the Lord was calling him into the service, he made a full surrender, turned his back on all other plans, and set his face toward the work that must henceforth be his. Up to this time he had been active as a layman and a personal soul winner. He served his church as a deacon, as treasurer, as B. Y. P. U. worker, as Sunday school teacher, and in the choir. His people feel that this rich experience as a layman has equipped him to work so sympathetically and efficiently with the laymen of his church.

When brother Pearson surrendered to preach he immediately closed out his affairs and, with his wife and four small children, went back to school for a period of five years. During these five years he did approximately seven years work in college and seminary, majoring in the languages. He took all of the Greek and Hebrew offered by the seminary, as well as all courses in Greek that were given in college. His grades for the five years averaged in the nineties although in addition to his studies and his home duties his time was taken on week-ends with the churches that he served as pastor while in school.

The Macon church is the fourth field that brother Pearson has served. The first was a

group of churches composed of Dixon, Stratton, Sebastapol and Lena. These called him in the order named and he served them until he left the state to attend the Seminary at Ft. Worth. Upon his arrival there he was called by Bright Hope church in the edge of the city, a full time work. He served here until he completed his seminary work. At that time a call was awaiting him to a field in Oktibbeha County composed of his home church, Longview, and Sturgis, Bethesda, Morgan Chapel and Pleasant Ridge. Here he served for two joyous and fruitful years, living among the people whom he had loved from boyhood, and who loved him devotedly.

The call to the Macon church came eleven years ago. Since that time brother Pearson has loved and labored among us. He followed a line of short pastorates. There had been some local disturbances. His has been the longest pastorate in the history of the church. His work reaches out over the entire county, calls upon him coming from all sections. His service with this church has been most successful. His work with the young people has been persistent and fruitful. In addition to his work in the Training Union, he served for two years as Scoutmaster. He is an active and popular member of the Rotary Club, and his popularity extends to all of the citizens of the county.

Brother Pearson is an evangelistic pastor. He has been active in this type of work not only on his own field, but has preached in an average of seven to eight revival meetings each year. The Lord has added His blessing to his efforts in this field of service. The church at Macon has been glad to cooperate in giving the pastor opportunity to hold these meetings, and rejoice in the service of their pastor for the Master's glory.

A subscriber writes to ask, "Would A Christian Commit suicide? Does the Bible say anything on that subject?" This is a question which cannot be answered with a brief yes or no. There are many things to be taken into consideration. Basically a man has no more right to take his own life than he has to take the life of another man. The Bible condemns murder, and says that the worst punishment that men can inflict is to be visited upon the murderer. We recently had the discussion of this matter in a Sunday school lesson. And there can be no question that the deliberate taking of human life through malice or hatred is condemned in the clearest terms. The command, "Thou shalt not kill" is translated in some versions, "Thou shalt do no murder." The Bible not only condemns the taking of human life deliberately and maliciously; but it also condemns the taking of it carelessly and thoughtlessly. Punishment was to be visited on one who caused the loss of life by carelessness. And a man is guilty of homicide who allowed or caused the loss of life by not taking precautions which he could have taken. See Exodus 21:29 and Deuteronomy 22:8. We are responsible for life lost through any carelessness of ours. To take one's life is just as much a sin as to take the life of another. To be sure this does not answer the question as to whether a Christian will commit suicide. And this is because guilt is determined by the motive, and in some measure by the degree of intelligence. All of these things determine the degree of guilt. This question also brings on another: does a Christian commit sin? And what sort of sin or degree of sin does a Christian commit? There is no question of the guilt of a person who commits suicide when it is done by a sane person. If you can answer the question as to what sins a person can commit and still be a Christian, then you can answer the question as to whether a Christian can or will commit suicide.

# A MILLION MEN GOING TO CHURCH

*Baptist Brotherhood of the South*

# Baptist Training Union Convention

*Held In Jackson November 23-25*

By Walton E. Lee

The convention was held in Calvary Church of this city and at the opening hour on Wednesday evening the spacious auditorium was overflowing into the galleries. The music of the session was by the students of Mississippi and Hillman Colleges. Several of the old familiar hymns were sung, the congregation joining in heartily. The chorus by the young men from Mississippi College directed by Mack Bradley sang two special numbers which were greatly enjoyed.

Dr. H. M. King, pastor of the host church, spoke words of welcome on behalf of all the churches of the city. These were responded to by the president of the convention, brother R. D. Pearson, following with his annual address on "Witnessing in Judea." In his address brother Pearson made the district association represent our Judea and appealed earnestly to the young people to go back to witness more zealously for Him in the association and out to the ends of the earth.

A quartette from Hillman College sang sweetly "Majestic Sweetness" and "Fellowship."

"Building a Life" was the subject of a splendid address by Mr. E. E. Lee of Dallas, Texas, a Southwide B. T. U. worker. It was a most prodical and timely message. In the matter of building a life the young people were entreated to (1) Lay a good foundation; (2) Get the right kind of a plan; (3) Put good material into it; (4) Get the material ready beforehand; (1) Paint the house, that is, make it just as attractive as possible. A most enjoyable feature was a "Picture show" in which scenes were on the screen of the work in Brazil. The show was by Mr. W. W. Enete, director of Vacation Bible school work in Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay and Chile. His explanation of the scenes added much in interest and information.

The address by Dr. J. W. Beagle on "Thy Kingdom Come" came emphasis to the effectiveness of a life wholly surrendered. A number of instances were cited by Dr. Beagle out of his own experiences as field secretary of the Home Board to show the willingness of God to use the dedicated life in bringing in his kingdom.

Brother Wilds, who has directed the young people's training in the state for 21 years, spoke words of appreciation for the hearty cooperation he had in preparing for the convention. Special mention was made of Dr. King, Miss Henry and Mr. Brown in the host church and others out in the state.

The session closed with a meditation by Chester Swor on causing the life to give forth no uncertain sound. Those who have heard brother Swor well know his message greatly strengthened the devotional life.

### Second Day—Morning Session

The Thursday service of the host church opened the day's exercises. This service began at 6:45 o'clock and even at this early hour and the weather cold and rainy nearly one hundred gathered, a number of whom were young people attending the convention. It was a real Thanksgiving service conducted by the pastor, many taking part with prayers, scripture quotations and words of testimony of the blessings of God.

A song and praise service rendered by the Juniors and Intermediates opened the convention's program at 8 o'clock. This being a public school holiday accounted perhaps for the large

number of these young people from the local congregation. This number was supplemented by the visitors making a splendid choir. Their singing was greatly enjoyed.

The second address by Dr. Beagle was on "Laborers Together with God." He spoke again largely out of a long experience as field worker for the Home Board. Interesting and encouraging were the things mentioned as having occurred through laboring with Him.

A feature of this session's program not on those of former years was a juvenile talent pathos of former years was a juvenile talent pathos both in vocal and instrumental musical accomplishments. The young people of the Junior and Intermediate departments showed splendid training, a credit to their leaders and their renderings made a most entertaining addition to the program.

The Sunday School Board of Nashville, which cooperates with our State Board in fostering the B. T. U. work was represented in the convention by Mr. C. A. Hearn, associate Southwide secretary of this work. Mr. Hearn spoke on Some of the Trends and Some of the Needs in Training Work. It was a practical setting forth of progress being made and the things necessary to greater progress. It is now the Sunday School Board's policy to give free literature for the first quarter to every new organization. In the South there have been 3500 applications and in Mississippi 264 applications for this free literature, indicating this number of new organizations have been effected this year.

Another new feature of this program was a story telling period, directed by Miss Lucy Carleton Wilds, in which Bible stories by nine of the children were told.

The memory work drill in which twelve Juniors took part and the Intermediate sword drill, with sixteen young folks participating, showed a creditable familiarity with the Bible and training.

The illustrated lecture given by Mrs. W. W. Enete was a digression and the skilled use of a piece of crayon brought information through the eye in a more effective way than the usual manner of through the ear.

The second of Dr. Lee's addresses was brought at this time on "Today," emphasizing the responsibility resting upon the young people and the obligations they are under to meet the questions and face the problems to be dealt with today.

It was another earnest, timely appeal to the near a thousand gathered in the interest of training the young people for Christian service.

The president appointed the following committees:

On Nominations—Mr. Kermit Cofer, Mrs. E. S. Cole and brother C. C. Weaver.

On Resolutions—Mr. H. A. Scott, Mr. A. H. Ritchie and Miss Almeta Reeves.

The meditation by brother Chester Swor accompanied by special musical numbers was deeply spiritual and closed the service in a rededication of lives to God's service.

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Mrs. S. J. Carroll of Troy, Ala., passed away on Nov. 5. She is said to have given in recent years \$75,000 to various Baptist benevolences, one of them being \$30,000 to establish a publishing house in Brazil.

## HOW THE RECENT SESSION OF THE MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION LOOKED TO ME

By J. W. Lee

To me the recent session of our Mississippi Baptist Convention was decidedly the best we have had in a long time.

For many years we have wrangled over making new debts, to cover deficits in the operation of some of our institutions.

In view of the fact that we have borrowed and borrowed money to pay deficits and then put on campaign after campaign to get money to return borrowed money and each campaign was a failure, each one being a worse failure than the preceding one, some of us strenuously, yea conscientiously opposed any further borrowing.

In our opposition to borrowing some of us put ourselves where our opposition could be construed, and doubtless was construed, as manifesting unfriendliness to the institution for which the debts were to be made.

There was no need for such wrangling at our recent session.

All of our institutions reported that they had lived within their income.

Therefore we were all happy. As a result, when the reports on Foreign and Home Missions came up for consideration on Wednesday night we were all in a mood and spiritual frame of mind to be lifted up to the mountain top by brother M. T. Andrews and our own Roland Q. Leavell in their soul stirring messages on Foreign and Home Missions.

It is said that when the multitude heard Cicero speak they went away saying "great is Cicero," but when Demosthenes spoke the multitude cried: "Let's go to war."

When I heard brother Leavell's matchless appeal for a concerted effort on the part of Southern Baptists to evangelize in 1939 as never before, I said to myself: I cannot wait until 1939. I must go home and begin now.

### WEST SIDE BAPTIST CHURCH, MACON

By R. D. Pearson

Under the warm-hearted efforts of Rev. C. S. Mullins, the West Side Baptist Church was organized on ..... Brother Mullins was assisted and encouraged by the pastor and membership of the First Church. Money and material were quickly donated by people of all denominations. A suitable lot was given. This church is now meeting in its own building, and free from debt.

Brother Mullins has been a tireless worker for the Master in this section of Macon that could not be induced to come to the churches in town. They have responded hungrily to the gospel message and privilege in their own section. The work is most encouraging and is bearing fruit in kingdom activity.

The membership of the church is now ..... They have a Sunday school of ..... members. They have preaching each Sunday night. The prayer meeting is held on Friday night, and is well attended. The church was admitted to the Noxubee County Association when it met with the Mashulaville church October.....

The North Carolina Baptist Convention voted at its recent session to purchase the Biblical Recorder and the building belonging to the Recorder Company. A committee was appointed to select an editor. Hitherto the paper has belonged to a group of Baptists and operated in the interest of the convention work. With the new plan there will probably be less hesitancy on the part of the churches in putting the paper into their budgets.

# A MILLION MEN GOING TO CHURCH

*Baptist Brotherhood of the South*

# Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

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### R.A. FOCUS WEEK

**Calvary Church, Jackson.** Thirty-five Royal Ambassadors and their fathers banqueted together during Focus Week. The pastor, Dr. H. M. King and Mrs. King were present to lend encouragement and challenge to the splendid group. Dr. King particularly paid tribute to the loyal leadership and influence on the "boy-life" of the church. For more than ten years Mrs. J. M. Joffrion has served as one of the counselors. Mr. Willis Brown, the assistant pastor, commended the boys on work accomplished and challenged them to enlist the other boys of the church. The boys who had been to camp were recognized and spoke of the benefits. The boys who had passed various ranks were given recognition. One of the fathers spoke of what R.A. had meant to his son. Glenn Thurman, one of the Intermediates, spoke of what the Junior chapter meant to him. Miss Edwina Robinson, the state leader, spoke on "Royal Ambassadors."

**Forest.** Mrs. A. B. Wood, the young people's director, reports a most successful banquet with 19 Royal Ambassadors and five visitors. Arm bands were given eight of the boys for ranks passed and three received letters for their arm bands.

**Meridian.** The city-wide Royal Ambassador counselors met for a banquet and a verbal report is that it was well attended and unusually helpful.

**Sunflower** reports a splendid mission study for the R.A.'s, with 15 boys receiving seals and certificates. They also had a banquet. There are many other chapters who observed Focus Week but as yet have failed to make it known.

### THE TRAINING SCHOOL IN RIO DE JANEIRO

"A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid." As in the depths of some dusky chapel a radiant window glorifies the air, sending through the dim aisles and arches a rich light replete with rare colors, as a lighthouse sends its beams across the dark turbulent sea, so the Girls' Training School of Rio stands and sheds its glow enriching the hearts of Brazilian young women, beautifying their lives and enlightening through their service the darkest sections of this needy land.

It was twenty-two years ago that the Girls' Department of Rio Baptist College was organized in response to appeals from all parts of Brazil for a Christian school in which the fine daughters of Brazilian Baptists might receive the training peculiarly fitted to their needs. For the direction of this school Dr. and Mrs. F. F. Soren were chosen. Of this period Dr. Shepard writes, "How could we have escaped failure but for the Sorens." Mrs. Soren has devoted these twenty-two years of her life to the preparation of Brazilian young women. During most of these years she received no remuneration from the school or the denomination and never has she received more than forty dollars a month. Through the long years of labor and sacrifice she has done more than any creed could have

done to help these fine girls upon their quest of beauty and truth.

God blessed the school again in the selection of Miss Bernice Neel, one of Texas' finest daughters, to be the dean of the school and the director of the religious activities. One of the girls recently wrote: "Miss Neel is our counselor and faithful helper, who aids and inspires us. The religious work, distributed in an intelligent and agreeable manner, is intrusted to the competence of the fine altruistic spirit of Miss Neel."

In the Girls' Department (including primary and high school) there are today some two hundred girls, forty-three of whom are taking the Training School course along with their regular high school work. The property, which came as a gift from the Judson Centennial, is beautiful but the building is entirely inadequate. The girls must dress and keep their clothing in very crowded quarters in the dark basement. Their beds are arranged in equally crowded quarters in two "wards" on the second floor. Daily chapel is held in the dining room which is in the basement also. Class rooms and the office fill the main floor. One marvels at the work that has been done in these over-crowded conditions. Even so, the work is hampered and will be until improvements are made.

The organization of the course of study for the Christian workers is quite different to what Southern Baptists think of in using the term "Training School." This plan, necessitated by the Brazilian educational system, includes more work in some lines and less in others than the Training Schools in the homeland. Baptist girls are admitted to the workers' course at fourteen years of age, on recommendations from their churches concerning their physical, spiritual, and intellectual fitness. Some of the girls come from sections where they have had little opportunity to study and must begin in the primary grades. Most of them, however, begin with the first year high school. They enter upon a five year course where they take the usual high school subjects along with Bible, domestic science, sacred music, missions, and religious education, including all the W.M.U., Sunday school, B. T. U., and D. V. B. S. courses. Typing is offered also.

No small part of their training is in the practical work in the organizations in the churches of which they are members and in the B. Y. P. U., Y. W. A., and children's societies which they direct in the school. Every girl, Christian and non-Christian alike, attends church services every Sunday. The non-Christian element in the school serves as "field work" for the Christian workers who cannot, because of Brazilian custom, go out in the city in work such as young women in the homeland do. There is in the school an atmosphere of great Christian activity. The large number of young women who have charge of the organizations are untiring in their work and utilize every opportunity which is offered them for service of the Master. This is attested to by the fact that each year there are numbers of conversions in the school as a direct result of their personal work. These five years in this positive Christian atmosphere are necessary in order that these girls, many of whom are the only Christian in the home from which they come, may become well grounded in Christian doctrines and ideals, that their character may be formed and personality developed. The spiritual atmosphere of the school makes it possible for the

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## East Mississippi Department

By R. L. Breland

### A Mississippian in Texas

Rev. Henry W. Shirley was born and reared near Hattiesburg, Miss. He graduated at Mississippi College and then at the Southwestern Theological Seminary. He held pastorates in Texas and Oklahoma, and then came to Philadelphia, Miss., where he was pastor for a number of years. He is now doing a good work as pastor of McAllen Baptist Church, McAllen, Texas. A recent issue of the McAllen Daily Register had something to say of brother Shirley which we quote below:

"Rev. Henry Shirley, pastor of the First Baptist Church of McAllen, is rated as one of the foremost Bible scholars in south Texas. He laughingly denies being a theologian, maintaining that he merely quotes 'The Book,' but his parishioners say he is an authority on the Scriptures.

"The Rev. Mr. Shirley is a graduate of Mississippi Baptist College, a graduate of the Southwestern Theological Seminary at Fort Worth, and took lectures in Moody Bible Institute at Chicago. He was formerly pastor of churches in Mississippi and Oklahoma. The McAllen minister was a member of the State Baptist Missionary Board in Oklahoma and served on several statewide committees. He will begin his ninth year at McAllen next month.

"The McAllen pastor's hobby is hunting. He has probably the best known string of bird dogs in the valley, and he always gets his birds. Mrs. Shirley is a champion canal bank fisherman. Their charming and beautiful daughter, Brunelle, is now a student in Oklahoma Baptist University.

"The Rev. Mr. Shirley is well known for his frankness, his courageous standing for his convictions, but probably he is best known in church circles for his depth of thinking and analysis of the Bible. He is a constant student and never goes into the pulpit unprepared. His

sermons are so popular that often he is asked to mimeograph copies of them and many tourists mail the outlines back to their home churches. The McAllen church usually more than raises its budget, has no debt that is not unfaithfully met, is growing steadily, and is increasing its scope of work every year."

Glad to have this splendid commendation of a former Mississippi boy who has worked his way up in the kingdom work.

Rev. L. J. Crumby has been located at water Valley for several years where he has served efficiently many rural churches. Recently he accepted a call to Courtland, Miss., and will locate there at the beginning of next year. He will serve Courtland one Sunday, Liberty Hill two Sundays and Pilgrim Rest one Sunday, all in Panola County. He will also likely serve Camp Ground and Bethel in Yalobusha County. Brother Crumby and his splendid family have made a host of friends in Yalobusha who regret to see them leave, but who wish him well in his new field of labor.

A message from Deacon B. E. Turner of Coldwater Baptist Church, Neshoba County, informs us that he is slowly recuperating from his recent spell of sickness and was able to attend church last Sunday. He also reported Mrs. T. T. Cooper, of the same church, much improved. Rev. H. L. Byrd of Spring Creek, Neshoba, preached for the church one night recently.

The North Central Baptist Bible Study Conference met with Bethel Baptist Church, near Slate Springs, Monday, Nov. 21st. The study was taken from the book of Luke and was discussed by Elders L. F. Haire, J. W. Hicks, O. Hood, E. R. Henderson, J. B. Middleton, W. H. McPhail, J. W. T. Siler, according to the program. Rev. G. E. Wiley, of Grenada, preached the sermon.

With regret I missed the session of the State Convention last week. I kept up with the proceedings as best I could and prayed for the guidance of the Spirit. May much good come of this good meeting.

A letter from Mrs. G. W. Malone of Pittsboro tells us: "We had our missionary meeting Wednesday. Mrs. C. H. Ellard was elected president, Mrs. S. C. Wooten, vice-president, and Mrs. H. T. Countis, secretary-treasurer." May the Lord bless the work of these good women.

Received an appreciated card from Mrs. G. E. Thompson of West recently. She and her beloved husband, now deceased, were among my very best friends and helpers when I was pastor of West Baptist Church some years ago. This invitation is appreciated: "If you ever come to West would be glad to see you." Thanks! I may see you again one of these days.

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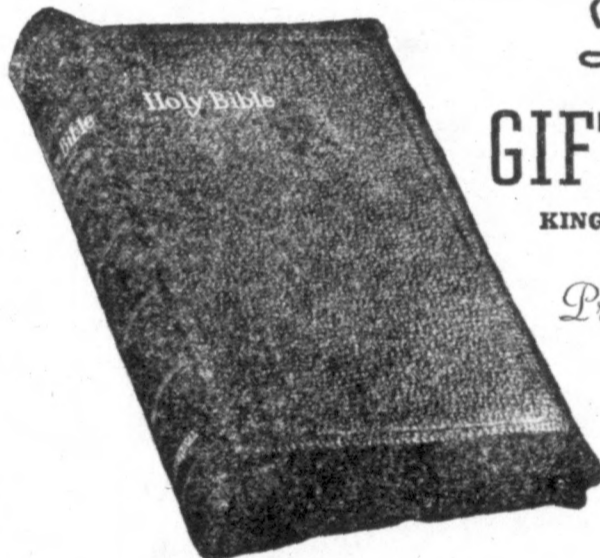
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## Sunday School Lesson

By HIGHT MOORE

### THE SIN OF LYING

Exodus 20:16; 2 Kings 5:20-27; Pro. 6:16-19; Matt. 15:19, 20; Jno. 8:42-47; Eph. 4:25; Rev. 22:14, 15.

The sin of lying particularly in the form of slander is forbidden in the Ninth Commandment. Yet according to the teaching of Jesus, to have truth on the lips there must be truth in the heart. Moreover, God is the author of truth which also is one of his attributes, while Satan is a liar and the father of all lying. Christian duty truthward, as Paul urges, is clear and compelling: Put away all falsehood; speak the truth always and in love.

#### Notes Analytical and Expository

1. Truth on the Lips is commanded; for lying is forbidden in speech. The right to reputation is recognized and respected in the Ninth Commandment. False witness is definitely reprehended. Lying in whatever form is an abomination, but when it is aimed at the good name of a neighbor it is particularly obnoxious and detestable. The man who starts a false and injurious rumor concerning another disobeys this Commandment; but so does the man who repeats a false rumor. The tale-bearer and scandalmonger, the hypocritical gossip and ruthless slanderer, the man who deliberately misrepresents others — all these are breakers of the Law of God. As a matter of fact, there is no such thing as a "white lie." The Bible nowhere condones or connives at little lying. Truth and lying are as far apart as the poles. One cannot be truthful and deceitful at the same time. Especially ought we to be truthful in referring to our fellow men. Tainted gossip is injurious. Whispered slander blights the fairest name. False witness stabs to the very death. Be truthful and true to your fellow men!

2. Truth in the Heart is required; for lying is ferreted to its source. The Pharisees were quibbling about the washing of hands according to the rules of ceremonial etiquette. But Jesus makes the point that a man of washed hands may have and harbor a wicked heart. Certainly a clean heart must have primacy over its corruption (which includes lying) before the life can be clean and pure. Look at some of the dreadful sins that issue from the deep depravity of an unregenerate human heart: Evil thoughts, or wicked scheming; murder, in thought, word, or act; adultery; unchastity, or sexual vice; theft, or stealing; false witness, or perjury; railings, or slander. These are the things which defile a man and make him unclean. "Create in me a clean heart, O God!"

3. Truth from the Lord must be obtained: for lying is fathered by Satan. Confronted but not confounded by his critics at Jerusalem, Jesus drew the sharpest possible contrast between the Fatherhood of God and the fatherhood of Satan. (1) The Fatherhood of God involves

likeness to God who is the source and giver of truth; love to Christ who is the way, the truth, and the life; listening to Christ who in himself and his gospel reveals the truth; following after Christ in sincerity and in truth; ever seeking, and finding, and heeding "the truth as it is in Jesus." (2) The Fatherhood of the Devil involves doing what he desires though deceptive, deluding, and destructive, rather than what God commands which is good and true and wholesome. In particular, it involves being like him in character and conduct; like him in the practice and promotion of lying for "he is a liar and the father of lies" (Moffatt). Are we children of God or—children of the devil?

4. Truth Through the Life must be maintained; for lying is to be forsaken at once and forever. From Paul we have two insistent imperatives and an inspiring incentive. First imperative: Put away falsehood. Lying is one of the things God hates and it is utterly debasing and detested among men. Hypocrisy, dishonesty, double-dealing and fraud are wicked and woeful. Every form of falsity, every atom and aspect of it, should be put away. Second imperative: Speak the truth. Sometimes it hurts at the moment. But it helps in the long run. Be dependable always. Live the truth at whatever cost. Defend and expound and spread the truth and nothing but truth. The appealing incentive: We are members one of another. Falsity disrupts fellowship. Lying destroys love. Hypocrisy develops hate. But truth is a tie that binds and upbuilds and blesses. Speak the truth in love!

#### ARE YOU ON THE ROAD TO HEAVEN OR HELL?

There are many people who are craving for money and worldly pleasure is so great that they go deep in sin in order to satisfy that desire and to get what they term their share of money and pleasures of the world. Feeling that the world owes them a living and a good time, regardless of where or how they get it. But the world doesn't owe anybody anything only as they get it by the sweat of their brow by honest toil or labor, giving value received for what they get. They say, "I haven't got but one life to live and I am going to have a good time while I am here. I am not going to hell anyway, God is too good just to let me burn. You wouldn't burn your child and God is not going to burn His." Dear reader, if you are serving the devil, you are not God's child, you belong to the Devil whom you serve." God is not responsible for you go-

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ing to hell. Good and evil are placed before you. It is up to you to take your choice as you do when you sit down to the table spread with every good thing imaginable—you have your choice to pick out what agrees with you, so you see a certain dish that you know will not agree with you, but it is prepared so nicely and daintily you eat it anyway. It makes you sick, then who is to blame? Nobody but you, for nobody forced you to eat it. God has pointed out two roads, one leading to Heaven and the other to Hell, but God is not going to grab you by the hair of the head and drag you down either road. You are to take your choice as you did at the table. Suppose you were going a distance of 500 miles and you get in conversation with an old man, who tells you that just fifty miles away, you will come to where the roads fork. He tells you that if you take the left hand road you will go several miles out of the way and the road is rougher. But when you reach this place, the foliage of the trees, the cool shade and the beautiful scenery and green grass looks so inviting and the road looks more spacious, that you say, "I don't believe the old man knew what he was talking about." So, through doubt and unbelief you take the left hand road. After traveling quite a distance you find that what the old man said is true. Whom can you blame? The old man or yourself? You of course, would be to blame. You disregarded the old man's instructions. So it is with God. He gives you full instructions in regard to the road leading to

Heaven. Then if you disobey God's instructions as you did in the case of the old man and let the Devil with his flattery and slick tongue deceive you as he did Eve and lead you down to Hell, who is to blame? John W. Jones, Sr.

Meridian, Miss.

There were 92 additions, 58 by baptism, to the First Baptist Church, Muskogee, Oklahoma, during a meeting conducted by Dr. L. R. Scarborough. Out of 44 additions on the final day of the meeting, 20 were grown men. Dr. A. N. Hall is the revered and honored pastor of the church.

Dr. Lucy Hutchins, professor of Latin at Blue Mountain College, left November 22 for Atlanta to attend the three-day meeting of the Southern section of the classical association of the Middle-West and South, which begins Thanksgiving day.

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#### More Classes—Growth

The Phebean Class, Brookhaven, grew from an enrollment of 22 in 1927 to 108 in June of this year, when an enlargement campaign was conducted in that church. During the campaign this class of adult ladies was formed into two classes, or rather the list of adult ladies' possibilities was divided into three classes, of which the Phebean was one.

After the June campaign, this year, the enrollment of this class was 30, but by the first of October it had doubled, and they had gone forward in such a great way that it reached the Standard. Mrs. J. B. West is the teacher, Mrs. Henry Smith, president, and Mrs. E. C. Pitts, secretary.

The other class, the younger group of adult women, now have an enrollment of 90, making a total of 150 women for these two classes, where there were never more than 108 before the campaign.

Also, there are now three adult men's classes and these have greatly increased the number of men attending each Sunday.

Rev. W. C. Winstead, pastor at Harpersville, Scott County, is greatly pleased over the fine increase in Sunday school attendance at that church. Just a few weeks ago it was 106; now it is 194. He attributes it to the fact of a study course recently, and also to some special stress put on enlargement and some improvements in the building arrangements.

Surely, if we will make an organization large enough to care for our people, and then go out through a definite, well-planned program of visitation and personal contact, there is not the slightest doubt but that we shall get many to attend who now are not. Prepare for them, and then go out to get them. No matter what we wish to do, there's no method quite so effective as that of personal visitation.

#### Statewide Conference

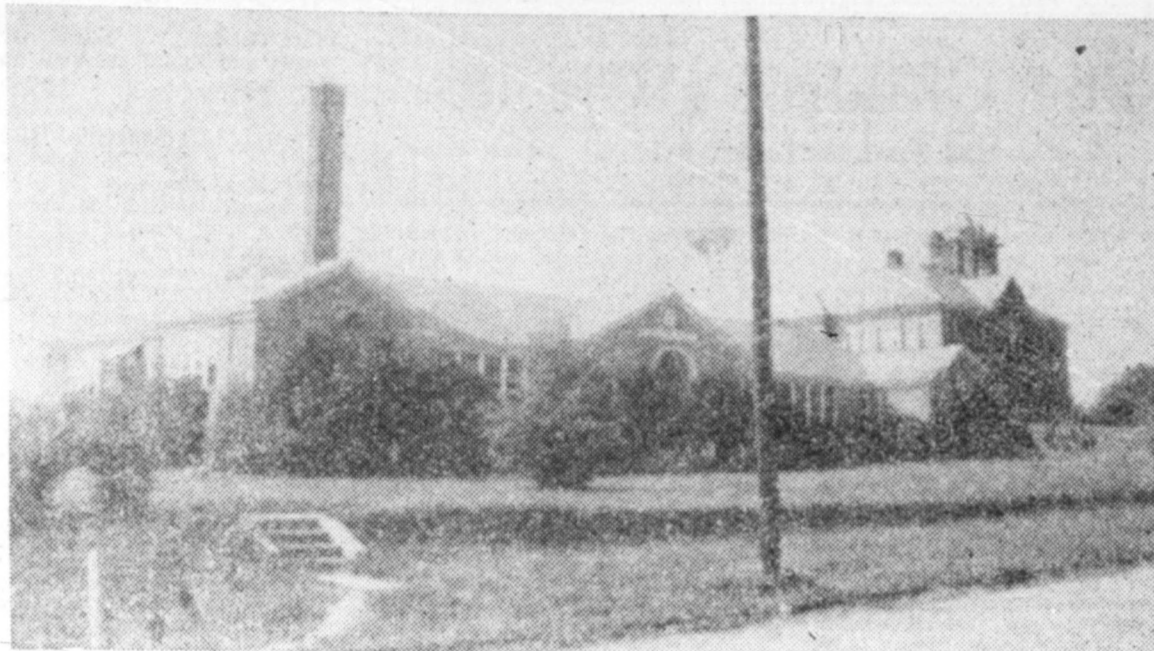
January 10-11, 1939, in the First Baptist Church, Jackson, the fourth statewide conference for all associational workers will be held. As in the case of the three former similar meetings, this conference will be under the direction of the Sunday School Board workers from Nashville.

The purpose is to study plans and programs for making 1939 one of the greatest years in our entire history—especially centering on the very important part of evangelism.

We want all associational officers and pastors present for that meeting. Details of the program will be given later, both through this column and also in letters to all these workers. Keep the date!

#### More Classes

Hattiesburg First Church and Crystal Springs have just sent in a long list of names for awards for



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#### OUR CHOIR DIRECTOR

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#### MACON CITY SCHOOLS

Macon schools have always enjoyed a high rating in educational circles. During the past twelve years our schools have been under the superintendency of Prof. R. M. Spaulding, a man of unusual ability and excellent qualities of character. Under his splendid leadership the schools have steadily advanced in material equipment, in scholastic achievement, and in rating. Mr. Spaulding has gathered about him a faculty that is outstanding both in personality and in ability and training.

Professor Spaulding is an active member of the First Baptist Church, and serves on the Sunday school force. During the past eleven years every Baptist on the faculty of our schools has been an active member of our church. Practically all of them have served in some place of responsibility.

#### MACON ROTARY CLUB

For twelve years Macon has had an active, live, wide-awake Rotary Club. The club has sponsored the Boy Scout work in Macon, and is proud of an outstanding troop of about ..... members and two cub packs of ..... members. The Scoutmaster at the present time is Mr. L. B. Jones, who teaches in the school. Macon Rotary Club rates well with the clubs of this district. We have a membership of 28 fine

those who recently completed the department books in training classes in these two churches. They had a regular department training school for a week, using local talent as teachers. This is a great plan for any school with the organized departments. Many others should do this yet. Many have already.

men, twelve of whom are members of the First Baptist Church.

#### MACON HOSPITAL

Macon and Noxubee County are justly proud of our hospital which has recently moved into the new and modernly equipped building. The hospital is owned and operated by Dr. L. B. Morris. He has a splendid staff of graduate nurses and a most capable technician. Three of these are active members of our church. Dr. Morris is the son of the late Rev. C. M. Morris who served as pastor of a number of churches in Mississippi for many years. He was pastor of First Church, Pascagoula, for seven years of this time. Dr. Morris is an active deacon in our church, and served as Sunday school superintendent for nine years. He is a surgeon of outstanding ability and success.

Dr. L. R. Scarborough, president, Southern Baptist Convention and Southwestern Seminary, is making a determined effort to visit as many of the state conventions as he possibly can. He fraternized with the Virginia convention November 8 and 9. His schedule for November 15-17 included the state conventions in South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia, and Alabama, which met in Columbia, Raleigh, Atlanta, and Gadsden, respectively.

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# The Children's Circle

MRS. FRANCES LIPSEY STEELE

"It is more blessed to give than to receive," Acts 20:35b.

My dear children;

Our letters of thanksgiving continue to come in. These were all written and sent before Thanksgiving day. They come to you late because the material for the paper has to be prepared almost a week ahead of the time for the paper to reach you. These thankful letters and lists are just as welcome now as ever because it is always the season to be thankful. It really would not be very sincere thanks that expressed itself only one time in the year.

We have an interesting and helpful story from Miss Lizzie McSween, our B. B. I. scholarship young lady. She tells of a great experience in her life. This is just one of the things that she does while she goes to school. We should be happy to have a part in helping her, and I believe you are.

Now more about our Christmas plans! I think we shall make our slogan "Share Christmas Cheer," and we shall keep in our hearts Jesus' words: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." In your letters that I hope will come pouring in—just as your Thanksgiving letters did—I want you to tell us about some time that you shared your Christmas cheer. Tell us what it meant to the ones with whom you shared and tell us what it meant to you too. Or if you'd rather, I'd like for you to tell what you are planning to do this year in sharing Christmas cheer. When you write, don't forget the orphanage and our scholarship. We'd like our offerings to them to be better at Christmas time than ever! We have a beautiful letter from one signing herself "A Friend of the Children's Circle," which gives you more of the idea I've been talking to you about. Read her letter and plan to do as she suggests.

With love,  
Mrs. Frances Steele.

Dear children;

Thanksgiving day is past, and all of you are looking forward to the greatest of all holidays, the birthday of our Lord Jesus—Christmas! The word itself brings a train of happy thoughts even to old people, and to children there are bright pictures of well-filled stockings by the fireside; Christmas trees sparkling with tinsel and silver, with mysterious packages hanging to its branches; happy homes where children and grandchildren are returning for the Christmas-tide; tables laden with candies, cookies and other goodies; all these mean Christmas to many. While you are enjoying these material gifts, remember our greatest blessing is the gift of the Christ child and His love. The best way to enjoy this great blessing is to pass it on to others. Often you are invited to a birthday party of one of your little friends, and to show your love for her you take her a birthday gift. We should not fail to remember our Lord's birthday with a gift. It would please Him for us to make some one else happy on His birthday. Get your Bible and read Acts 20:35, and I know you will share your Christmas cheer with some one, who needs "a little bit of love."

Perhaps your Sunbeam Band, G. A.'s or other junior organization could furnish a Christmas surprise to an old person, a sick child or any shut-in in your midst. Once there were several little sick children who had to spend Christmas in a hospital. A missionary circle carried a small Christmas tree to this hospital for these little shut-ins. It was brightly decorated, and there was a small gift for each child, besides candy and fruit. It brought a bit

of Christmas joy to the hearts of these little ones who could not be in their own homes.

This year there are many sad homes where Christmas cheer is needed. Won't you help mother bake some cookies for some one who would appreciate a little remembrance? Or you might dress a doll out of the scrap bag for a little girl who might not receive one. Put on your thinking cap, and "do something for somebody quick."

"It isn't far to Bethlehem town!  
"It's anywhere that Christ comes down

And finds in people's friendly face  
A welcome and abiding place;  
The road to Bethlehem runs right through

The homes of folks like me and you."  
A Friend of the Children's Circle.

## THE GIRL WEARING SILVER SLIPPERS

One of the outstanding experiences that I have had since I have been at the Baptist Bible Institute started while on a street assignment on the corner of Canal and North Rampart one Thursday night. After the song service and the sermon we began to do personal work; giving out tracts and gospels, and talking to individuals about their salvation. I had talked to some who stated that they believed and trusted Jesus as their Saviour. I walked around the corner to give out more tracts when I noticed a young woman, poorly dressed, wearing silver slippers, coming down the street. I gave her the gospel of John and asked her if she knew Jesus as a personal Saviour. She said, "I am a Catholic. I must hurry." I said a few more words to her and she went on. Soon the bus came for us. I realized that I had not been instrumental in leading anyone to a saving knowledge of Jesus that night, but for some reason I was not discouraged as I had been on previous occasions. I thanked God for the privilege that I had of giving people portions of His word and asked Him to use it to His honor and glory.

The next day as I was going to lunch I met one of the girls that I had talked to the night before on the street assignment. She had wandered around on the streets and when she came to our campus she sat down to rest, not knowing where she was. The student that found her, began to talk with her and discovered that she was in need of food as well as clothes. She carried her to the dormitory where her physical needs were cared for. She told her that she was from Alabama and had been in New Orleans for several days trying to find work. She didn't have any place to stay. Several nights had been spent in a cafe. She was in need of friends and a place to live.

After she rested, three of us girls talked with her about her soul. She told us how she had been living and that she wanted to live right. We read God's word to her and explained how she could be saved; how Jesus would give her strength to overcome temptations. She then said, "If I say I trust Jesus I want to mean it and live for Him." Of course we told her that we wanted her to be sincere. We prayed and asked her to pray. Such a sincere prayer! She said she did trust Jesus as her personal Saviour. We rejoiced that another soul was saved. She remembered that I was the one that gave her the gospel of John the night before. She said she had read a little of it. God proved to me that "My word shall not return unto me void."

Then we called the Woman's Emergency Home and made arrangements for her to stay there

until she could find work and a place to stay. We visited her afterwards and found her still happy in the Lord.

Poplarville, Miss.,  
Nov. 18, 1938.

Dear Mrs. Steele;

I haven't written to the circle in such a long time I bet every one has forgotten me.

As Thanksgiving is so near I am thankful for mother, father, sister, brother, church, Bible, clothes, school, food, teachers, books and so many more things I couldn't begin to name them all.

I am studying for mid-term examinations this week, which will be next week. I am in the ninth grade and I like all my teachers and subjects.

We had a revival at our church not long ago, which lasted one week. Brother D. W. Nix was the visiting preacher. I think everyone enjoyed it, as brother Nix is a good preacher. I hope to write again soon.

Your friend,  
Jerry Clark.

No, everyone has not forgotten you, Jerry, but we are glad to hear from you again. Thank you for your Thanksgiving list. And now we want to hear what nice things you are planning for some unfortunate or needy person for Christmas.

—F. L. S.

Starkville, Miss.,  
Nov. 20, 1938.

Dear Mrs. Steele;

I've been thinking for a good while I would write you and send a list of things I am thankful for but I've kept busy with my school work and have put it off until now. First of all I'm thankful for "Life itself," the children's circle, a good home, churches, preachers, schools, good teachers, friends, relatives, health, fresh air, sunshine and rain, fruit, flowers, birds, music and songs, Santa Claus, and other things too numerous to mention.

I'm sending twenty-five cents for a Thanksgiving offering. We had a play at our school house last Friday night. We enjoyed it so much. I'll try not to wait so long to write next time.

Lots of love,  
Annie Louise Duke.

Annie Louise, it was nice of you to include the Children's Circle in your list. As I said before, I want to include every one of you. Did you have a part in the play? Thank you for your offering.—F. L. S.

Collins, Miss.,  
Nov. 19, 1938.

Dear Mrs. Steele;

I would like to join your Children's Circle. I am twelve years old, in the fifth grade. I have a fine teacher, Miss Vaughn. I like the children's circle. I am thankful for many things. Some not in the list are spectacles, because I have to wear them; medicine, the Baptist Record, and swimming pools.

I am sending a small offering for the orphans.

Love,  
Von Deen Keys.

We are happy to have you and your brother in our circle, Von Deen. Some of us would have a hard time without spectacles, but we hardly ever stop to be grateful for them as we should. I can't help being glad that you included the Baptist Record in your list. We appreciate your offering.—F. L. S.

Collins, Miss.,  
Nov. 19, 1938.

Dear Mrs. Steele;

May I join your happy circle? I am a boy eight years old and in the third grade. I like to read the Children's Circle. I like my teacher,

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I am sending a small offering.

Love,  
Billy Ray Keys.

Billy Ray, an eight year old boy, just your size is the very person we want joining this circle. You have an interesting thankful list. We are grateful for your offering. Write again soon.—F. L. S.

Byhalia, Miss.,  
Nov. 21, 1938.

Dear Mrs. Steele;

We enjoyed Mr. John Lipsey's stories and hope he will tell us more about "Wild Bill and his family." I am glad we have so many new members joining our page. I wish more of our Jeannie Lipsey Club leaders would write and some of our new members would organize a club.

I am sending my dues for November.

With love,  
Fannie Mae Henley.

I hope Mr. Lipsey will read what you said about his stories and hurry to send us some more of them. It is fine to have new members, but we can't afford to lose a single old one nor a Jeannie Lipsey Club either. Thank you, our J. L. Club No. 1.—F. L. S.

Florence, Miss.,  
Nov. 22, 1938.

Dear Mrs. Steele;

I am sending a thank offering. I hope it is not too late. I am a little red headed boy, nine years old. I have two brothers, just younger than I. I help milk cows every day. I go to school and every Sunday I go to Sunday school. I am thankful for my mother, father, papa, mama, fresh air, for life and so many things. I am sending 25 cents each for myself and brothers.

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Our Training Union Convention last week proved to be a great success. A large attendance marked every session, the conferences were all well attended, the program was most interesting, and helpful, the spirit was genuinely Christian. In this issue of the Record you will have the account of it, session by session, as covered by Rev. W. E. Lee, the State Baptist reporter. Next week we will have an account of it as covered by Miss Virginia Bennett, acting secretary of the convention. The convention will meet with the Griffith Memorial Baptist Church, Jackson, Thanksgiving week, 1939. We want here to express our deep appreciation to every one who had a part in making the convention this year a success. Pastors, and other church leaders have cooperated by bringing their members for the blessing they would receive and would be, and also brought some to have part on the various phases of the program. The Jackson churches were loyal in their support of the program. The Calvary Church sponsored the meeting, providing a meeting place and committees for entertainment, etc. The Hinds-Warren churches cooperated beautifully in the pre-registration plan. Many served on the program efficiently and happily, so to ALL we express our thanks.

Do you use tracts? The Home Mission Board has a series of new tracts on Soul Winning. I am sure you want to have a part in the great soul winning effort Southern Baptists are making with special emphasis during 1939. A good tract put into the hand of a friend, with a prayer, often leads that friend to an acceptance of Christ. Write to the Baptist Home Mission Board, 315 Red Rock Building, Atlanta, Ga., and ask them to send you some of these tracts (as many as you will use). The Baptist Sunday School Board, 161 Eighth Ave. N, Nashville, Tenn., also has a splendid selection of tracts both on soul-winning, and on doctrine. They will also be glad to supply your need, all free and postage prepaid. From one of the tracts issued by the Sunday School Board, by Dr. L. P. Leavell, we quote: "What will you have to give up when you give your life to Jesus? Nothing that is good. Nothing that is right. What will you gain when you give your life to Him? You will gain Jesus. He will be your friend and guide and companion to bless you every day. You will gain true happiness. To give him your life means to get him in your life. You and he will form a divine partnership for life and eternity."

"He tells me what I ought to do,  
He tells me what to try;  
And so we walk together,  
My Lord and I . . ."

Christmas presents that will bring

happiness for many days may be found in religious periodicals and books. May we suggest that you send some one for Christmas a subscription to the Baptist Record, (Box 530, Jackson, Miss.) Southern Baptist Home Missions, a monthly for 25¢ the year (315 Red Rock Building, Atlanta, Ga.) The Commission, a monthly for 50¢ the year, (Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.) For books, write the Baptist Book Store, Jackson, Miss. They will send you a catalog free. One of the best small books is the recent one, "Good Morning." It brings a happy thought for each day.

### Silver City Elects New Officers

Silver City, under the leadership of their beloved pastor, Rev. T. F. Stroud, start the new year with a complete organization. The following leaders have been chosen: Director, Mrs. Travis McCharen; associate director, Mrs. D. L. High; secretary, Mr. W. D. Hoff; pianist, Mrs. T. F. Stroud; chorister, Mr. Roger Skelton; B. A. U. president, Mrs. T. F. Stroud; Senior president, Roger Skelton; counselor, Rev. Jno. Maddox; Intermediate leader, Miss Norma Pittman; Junior leader, Miss Frances Davis. They had every department represented at the association a month ago, and were also represented in the state convention last week. Congratulations and best wishes.

Make your B. Y. P. U. weekly meeting spiritual. Christians like for a religious meeting to be spiritual. You may weed out some who are not after all material for the union, but you will develop your Christian church members, and that is what the union is for.

### Lebanon Association Starts the New Year With Progressive Plans

At the last meeting of the Lebanon Associational Training Union new officers were elected and plans made for an enlargement campaign which will be in the nature of a central leadership school which will be held at Woman's College to which all the churches will be urged to send their leaders, with any other of their members who will attend. This week is to be followed with a simultaneous enlargement campaign for the association. Mr. Garland McInnis, one of the group directors is in charge of the program as it will be held in this group. The time set is the first week in March. The officers elected for the new year are: Director, Mr. Wilburn Roberts; associate director, Mr. James Delk; secretary, Mrs. Wilburn Roberts;

Junior leader, Miss Jeffie Harrell; Intermediate, Mrs. Gordon C. Black; Senior leader, Jack Simmons; B. A. U. leader, Mrs. H. K. McLemore; group directors, Mr. Garland McInnis, Rev. D. A. Hogan, Mrs. J. N. Lee; pianist, Miss Ruth Loftin; chorister, Rev. W. W. Grafton. 198 attended this meeting and the attendance banner was awarded to Providence church with an attendance of 31.

him to trust Jesus. I finally gathered that his chief trouble lay in inability to trust completely. We prayed again and then asked him to pray and were finally rewarded with a complete surrender on his part and a trustful confession of Jesus. Such experiences lead us to higher faith and inspire us to more useful service and greater diligence to the glorious task of witnessing for Him.

### SICK MAN SAVED Student L. H. Hollingsworth B. B. I., New Orleans, La.

At the close of the Sunday morning service one of the deacons came to me with the request that, in company with him and any others who wished to do so, I go to a home and lead a prayer service for a sick man who was to go to the hospital. With the understanding that the man was a Christian I went along. There were four men beside myself.

We started the service by singing some old hymns, some of which were selected by the sick man. Then after prayer we had a testimony meeting. Following this I read the eighth chapter of Romans and began to make a few remarks. I referred to the comforting fact that the sick man as a Christian could claim those promises. Imagine my surprise when he burst into tears and cried, "No! no! I am not satisfied." I concealed my surprise as best I could and began to try to lead

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### CHILDREN'S CIRCLE

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Fred and Max, as a thank offering for the orphanage.

Yours truly,  
Jimmie Weathersby.

It is never too late, boys, to send a thank offering or to express our thanks. When you read this, the day Thanksgiving will be past, but your letter and gift reached us in plenty of time to be the help that you wanted them to be. It is an unusual pleasure to hear from three boys at once. Thank you.—F. L. S.

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## B. T. U. CONVENTION

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A pleasing social feature of the day was a Thanksgiving dinner served by the women of the church to over 300 at which there was fine fellowship. The music rendered by the Mississippi College orchestra added much to the pleasure of the occasion.

**Second Day—Afternoon Session**

This session was given exclusively to conference work. In these were studied the best methods of training under the leadership of experience workers. All the conferences were attended and a spirit of earnestness and desirousness prevailed.

From these will no doubt come more efficient leadership.

**Second Day—Evening Session**

The music of this session consisted of some of the familiar songs by the congregation and a quartette of Hillman College students rendering two special numbers. In introducing the young women brother Swor paid high tribute to the work being done at Hillman in training the students.

Dr. Beagle brought his final message on Phil. 4:19 which is his favorite passage of scripture and it is believed from his exposition tonight it will henceforth be the favorite of many others. Dr. Beagle speaking out of his own experience and from his observation affirmed that the promise of the text is true and really precious.

Two reels of moving pictures, one by brother Wilds the scenes being of Ridgecrest and the other by brother Enete, illustrating his work "Under Four Flags." The information given was made much more impressive by the pictures. A free-will offering amounting to \$43.50 was made to brother Enete to have his pictures revised and improved.

The following motion expressing appreciation of the late Mrs. R. E. Morgan was passed and Dr. King led in prayer.

"That we the Mississippi Baptist Training Union members give a standing vote of appreciation of Mrs. R. E. Morgan, who was so faithful in the service of Mississippi's young people; so loyal in her attendance at our conventions; so generous with her time and talent and so efficient as a teacher; whose influence will live forever in the hearts of those who knew her."

The session closed with brother Chester Swor's period of meditation which again lifted the gathering to lofty spiritual heights.

**Third Day—Morning and Closing Session**

The song service at the opening of this closing session was led by brother W. L. Compere and brother J. M. Metts led in prayer.

The following winners in the contests of yesterday were announced:

Story Telling:  
Beginners — Patricia Palmer, Starkville, first place and Will Tate, Jackson First Church, second place.

Primary—Jane Evans, Starkville, first place, and Billy Jo Harding, Indianola, second place.

Junior Memory Work Drill—The following contestants were perfect: Eric Norman, New Albany; Paul Rogers, Salem church (Covington County); Claudine Edwards, India-

nola; Mess Iris Holloway, Indianola; Betty Turnipseed, Davis Memorial Church, Jackson; Russell Burns, Brookhaven; David Borgan, Biloxi; Lenoir Green, Walnut Grove; and Margaret Edwards, Philadelphia.

Intermediate Sword Drill: Sybil Morgan and Marion Booth, Jackson First Church, (tied for first); Augusta James, Ruleville, second.

Mr. and Mrs. Enete brought their final messages to the convention in which were recountings further of their experiences on their mission field in South America.

Time was given to expression of ideas to be carried back to be put into practice. There was a hearty response which showed that good impressions had been made and the convention had not by any means been in vain.

The following officers were elected to serve during the next year:

President: Brother R. D. Pearson, re-elected.

Vice-President: Mr. H. A. Scott, Tylertown.

Secretary: Mrs. P. T. Smith, Itta Bena.

As special musical numbers Bro. W. L. Compere sang "The Old Rugged Cross" and "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone."

Brother Wilds presented the 1939 calendar of activities which was an outline of the work for the new year. With the meditation by brother Swor which led to even greater spiritual heights than in those formerly given the Convention closed.

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**DANCE HALL WORKER SAVED**  
Miss Claudia Hill, B. B. I.  
New Orleans, La.

The preaching service was over and the workers, who had gone on the Lee Circle assignment separated to do personal work. I had walked around the circle, talking to many of the boys and girls who found Lee Circle an ideal skating spot, and I was going back to join our group of workers when I saw coming toward me a young lady dressed in evening clothes. She seemed to be in a hurry so I thought I'd hand her a gospel tract and go on. But as I handed it to her our glances met for a moment. In mine there was a question—in her's there was an answer. I then decided to speak to her even though she was in a hurry.

"Are you a Christian?" I asked. There was silence, a dropping of

her glance and then quietly, "No." "Wouldn't you like to be a Christian—to know that Jesus had saved you from your sins?"

"Yes," she replied, "but not now. I'm in a hurry."

I begged her to let me talk to her just a few minutes, and in those few minutes I told her, the best I knew how, of Christ, the Son of God who came to seek and to save the lost, and of his death on the cross to save her from her sin, and how he was pleading with her to trust him as her Saviour.

She said she would like to be saved so I told her to let us have a word of prayer together. When I finished praying I asked her to pray but she said, "I don't know how." Then I said, "But you do trust Christ as your Saviour, don't you?" She replied, "No, not yet." "Is there something in your life that is keeping you from surrendering to Christ?" "Yes," she replied, "I work in a dance hall and I can't accept Christ without giving that up."

Then I told her that Christ could help her to give that up.

"But you don't understand," she said. "You can't understand because you've never danced."

Then I explained to her that I had danced for several years and had never found any real happiness in it and that it was only when I fully surrendered to Christ that I found real satisfaction. If he could save one girl who had danced, then surely he could save another.

"But I have a young baby to support. Giving up my job will mean that my baby will have to go hungry."

I replied, "Christ said to seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these other things will be taken care of. If you will accept him he can help you find another way to take care of your baby. He is an all sufficient Saviour. Giving your child a chance to have a Christian mother will mean more to it than anything else in the world you could possibly give it.

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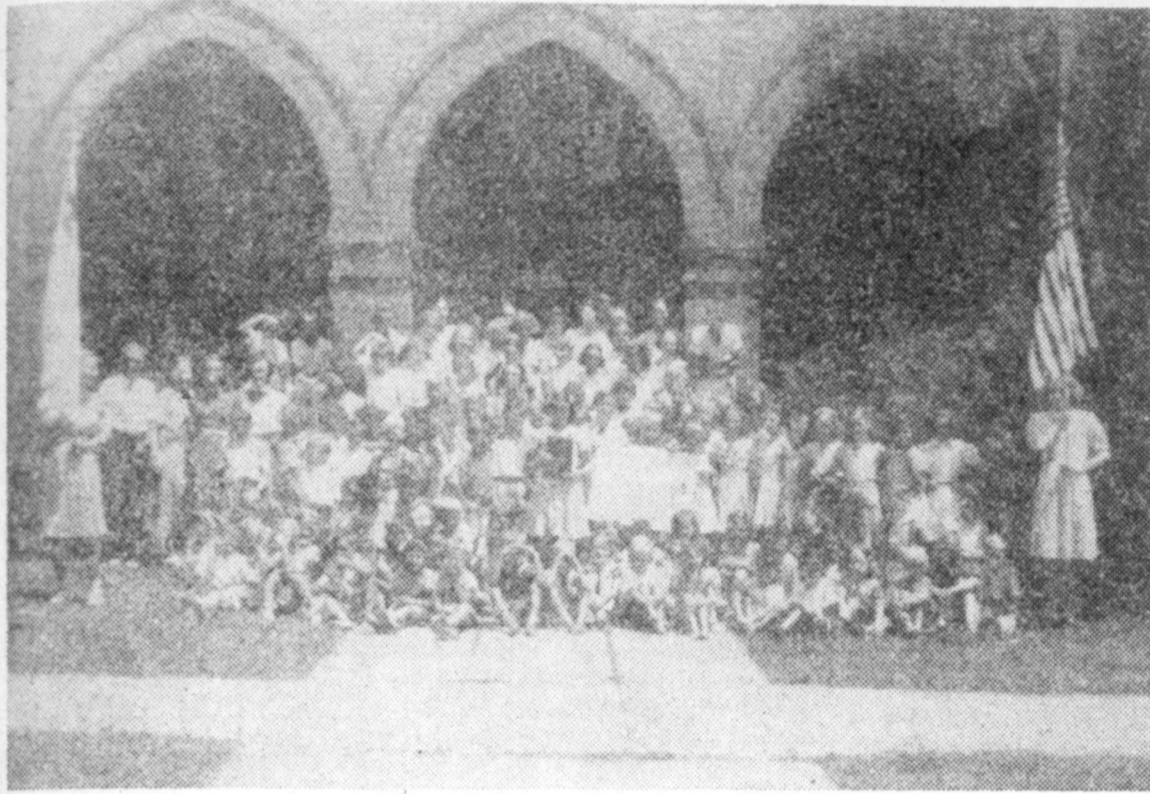
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I said, "You will not always be young and nice looking. Your youthfulness and looks will pass away, because God's word tells us that the world passes away and the lust thereof but they that do the will of God abideth forever. Please don't leave tonight without settling this all important matter." "I will accept Christ as my Saviour," she said.

Again I asked her if she would tell Him all about it. This time she didn't say she couldn't pray, but simply in a childlike way she poured out the desires of her heart to God. When she finished great tears were rolling down her cheeks. She said, "Oh, I do thank you for telling me of Christ because now I know I'm saved. I'm a different person now."

I gave her a gospel of John and begged her to be faithful in seeking God's guidance in her life. She was no longer in a hurry but listened to every word. She kept my hand tightly clasped in hers until the bus came. When I told her I just had to go she again repeated to me how thankful she was that Christ had saved her and that she was now a child of God.

That night had been a night of great experiences for the other workers, because as we rode back to B. B. I. many testified as to how God had taken his preached word that night and had used it for his own glory. From hearts overflowing with joy we sang, "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow."

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**FOR THIS CAUSE**  
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This little book, written by Inabelle G. Coleman and abounding in information and inspiration, is available and invaluable to individuals and groups as they approach the time of the Lottie Moon Christmas offering. The first edition was exhausted some time ago, but a second issue is ready and may be secured through the Baptist Book Store serving your state. Price 25 cents.

**SIMULTANEOUS EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN IN KANSAS CITY**

Under the leadership of Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, superintendent of evangelism of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, thirty-four of our Baptist churches in Kansas City, Missouri, conducted a simultaneous evangelistic campaign from Oct. 30-Nov. 13. Two of the churches are conducting meetings this week.

The churches have reported 940 additions, 633 of these by baptism. Many were re-claimed who had not had membership anywhere for several years. In some of the churches, pastors held their own meetings, but in most of them, evangelists from the outside aided the pastors.

Dr. Leavell is a great leader. The fellowship of the morning breakfasts and the splendid messages by Dr. Leavell will long be remembered by our Baptist pastors and the visiting evangelists. The ten o'clock meetings the first week for pastors and church workers were also a time of great spiritual help. Dr. Walter E. Woodbury, secretary of evangelism of the American Baptist Home Mission Society of the Northern Baptist Convention, who was holding a meeting in one of our churches, spoke at two of these ten o'clock morning meetings. His messages and those of Dr. Leavell challenged pastors and people to go out and revive the indifferent Christians and to bring the lost to Christ.

The Home Mission Board is to be commended for its selection of a man like Dr. Leavell to lead in evangelism throughout the Southland. His leadership was filled with a graciousness of spirit that endeared him to pastors and people. The great mass meeting on Sunday afternoon, November 6, filled the Temple Baptist Church, even though it was storming on the outside. Dr. Leavell brought a great address.

Dr. Leavell left us with a good set-up for following up and conserving results, and we are sure the influence of these meetings will continue through the entire year.  
 C. P. Jones.

**CHINA RELIEF**  
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In interviews with army officers the request that the soldiers be given spiritual comfort comes with surprising frequency. Religious literature has been distributed in base hospitals and preaching services have been popular. Almost every wounded soldier has had some thrilling experience which he is eager to relate and very frequently he believes firmly that his escape has been due to supernatural intervention.

(Countless soldiers are being saved while under the physical and spiritual ministry of Southern Baptists' missionaries who have dared to remain to witness for God in China. The need for money for this winter's opportunities is imperative. Every penny sent to the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia, goes at once in the name of Christ.)

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**THE HOPE OF THE MISSIONARIES**  
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Not only are one hundred twenty-five Lottie Moon Christmas offering-supported foreign missionaries praying for and counting on the Lottie Moon Christmas offering for their sole support this year, but everyone of the 421 Southern Baptist messengers overseas are praying for and counting on this love offering of the women of the Southland for different phases of their work that cannot go forward unless this goal is attained.

"Never were the needs more acute and opportunities more obvious. Surely, surely, every group small or large must go beyond its immediate goal that the final record will far exceed the \$200,000 aim," challenges the Foreign Mission Board, one-fourth of whose support comes from this Christmas season of prayer and giving.

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**RESOLUTIONS**

Whereas, God in His all-wise providence has called from our midst, our beloved member, Mrs. Maude Locke, and

Whereas, she was a faithful worker in our society, always giving of her best to the Master, and

Whereas, her death has brought deep sorrow and sadness to our hearts;

Therefore, be it resolved: That we bow in humble submission to the Divine will, that we extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy, that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of our W. M. S., one sent to the family, and one to the Baptist Record.

Respectfully submitted,  
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W. M. U. PAGE

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girls to hear and obey the call of the Master for Christian service. In one worship service last year eighteen young women responded to the appeal to dedicate their lives to the call of their Lord.

And what becomes of the girls upon their graduation? Do they become educational directors and church secretaries? No. Brazilian Baptists are scarcely able to support their pastors, much less other paid workers. Many of the graduates do become pastors' assistants, that is, many marry our seminary graduates. Others become teachers in denominational and public schools in the country and in this way are real missionaries. In recent years a number of the graduates have become very fine W.M.U. field workers and, going out to the far away places, two by two, have trained the Brazilian women in the work of the W.M.U. and D.V.B.S. Some have entered a nurses' training school where truly great results have come from their work. Still others are serving as secretaries in the Publishing House and schools. One, the late Marietta Mendonca Alvarez, went to Uruguay to serve as the wife of a pastor. The president of the W.M.U. of Brazil is another graduate. Two, Beatriz Silva and Lygia Castro are home missionaries of the Brazilian Home Mission Board, serving in the far interior of Brazil. Others are even now awaiting appointment from this Board. Another, Herodias Neves Gobia, is serving as a foreign missionary in Portugal today. And Waldemira Almeida, whom many of you met last summer and who is now studying in House Beautiful is a splendid representative of this Training School. Over one hundred alumnae are in active service throughout Brazil today.

Woman's Missionary Union of the South may now feel that it is a part of this fine Lighthouse for a part of the Lottie Moon Christmas offering now comes to help in the education of the Training School girls. Truly this is a door of peculiar opportunity to Southern Baptists.

—Letha Saunders.

The Baptist Training Union of Blue Mountain College had two representatives to attend the B. T. U. Convention in Jackson November 23-26. They were Misses Vadine Keith of Bude and Fannie Whitworth of Pickens.

CHINA EMERGENCY

Daily there comes to the Foreign Mission Board's offices letters revealing the heroism of the missionaries in China, the great revival ministry that they are rendering, and the dire needs that they are facing personally and in their work. "Sixty-four refugees passed the rigid examination given by the deacons and pastors who are helping us to make this refugee camp a revival center. These sixty-four were baptized this morning. More than two hundred more are ready to take their stand, also," writes one missionary.

"Missionary Black threw himself between the wild, lustful enemy and our school girls, and saved them from death and from experiences worse than death," states another Southern Baptist messenger in the war-zone of China.

"Needs! It is difficult to estimate what we have lost. Everything! But we can manage for a while without furniture and comforts, if only we can have some winter clothes, blankets and especially coats. Everything we had but a few summer clothes went with the war. But we still have our heads and hearts. For that we are grateful! And even if our feet, hands and bodies do suffer cold this winter, we are thankful that we have all of our hands, feet and ears. Thousands do not," writes another.

The Foreign Mission Board is gratefully receiving every dollar that Southern Baptists send for the China Emergency Fund for the immediate needs of their missionary war-sufferers who face the cold, bitter winter in China. Every penny received by the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia, for this China emergency fund is sent daily.

B.T.U. ATTENDANCE NOV. 27th

Jackson, First Church	181
Jackson, Calvary Church	192
Jackson, Griffith Church	287
Jackson, Northside Church	45
Jackson, Davis Church	147
Van Winkle Church	57
West Laurel Church	177
Inverness Church	49
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guide us and inspire us we are looking forward to the greatest year of evangelism for Christ in the history of Enterprise.

Sunday night, November 20th, was ordination night. Three new deacons were ordained, namely: Jno. A. Farmer, Bryant Stevens, and E. E. Welch. Brother Stennis preached on the right attitude of the church, pastor and deacons toward each other. Surely our souls were lifted, and the way made plain.

We have two school trucks going out from our town to bring men and women, boys, girls, and babies into Sunday school. Plans have been perfected and a building fund committee appointed to raise funds to build an adequate Sunday school annex. God has been so good to us, and we hope to honor Him in all our work. Pray with us!

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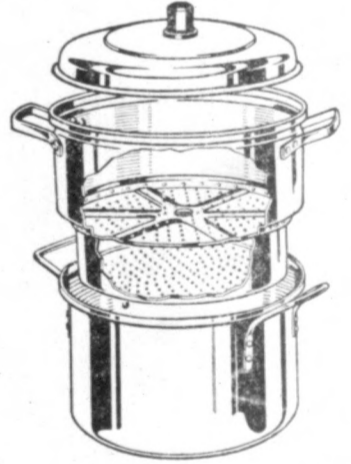
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